BOWEN'S DEPARTURE FROM THE

Legislative Conneil:

August:

The following despatch was presented to the

GOVERNMENT OF HONGRONG.

STEAMERS.

(Signed) R. H. MEADE,

above mentioned Treaty.

Berlin, February 24th, 1886.

THE EARL OF ROSEBERY TO COUNT HATZFELDT.

been left unsaid had there been shorthand General, and suggested that the first portion of writers here taking down the remarks. The hon. member in moving the original resolution has inbelieve for one moment, sir, in the alloged dis- of the present practice in 1884 said he referred content on this matter. That, I think, is entired to the Standing Orders which were adopted on ly a figment of the fancy. There will always be the 10th April, 1884. in every colony a certain amount of discontent. It is the nature of an Englishman to grumble tent will continue. At the same time I have one of his own, the very important suggestion only one argument against the motion of my that when a report of the Finance Committee is hon, friend, and that is that it is not for the brought up the officer who brings it up should good of the public service. I hope hon, members state the reasons which have influenced the of the Conneil will not think I use discourteons | Finance Committee in the recommendations language when I sayour convenience and comfort | which they have made. are nothing, the inconvenience to the Executive | The CHIEF JUSTICE—It is hardly necessary

is nothing, the loss of the public time even is only to do that if the feeling of the Council is in a minor consideration. We are, as my hon, favour of it. friend opposite (Mr. Ryrie) said, the servants of The Acting Attorney-General Some adthe public, and only the consideration that this is dition might, perhaps, be made to Rule 26, to not for the public advantage and for the good of the effect that the Chairman of the Committee, the public service, by which I mean in its best in moving the adoption of the report in Council sense the welfare of the community, induces should state the reasons which have influenced me to oppose this resolution. All other consi- the Finance Committee. give place to that. As to the statement of my ally the Finance Committee give their reasons derations of expediency or convenience ought to hon, friend opposite (Hon, P. Ryrie), who says in their report. he was coerced on the vote for the fortifications, I will only say any one who has had any expericourse of action whatever will see the absurdity ing form :- "It is not necessary to interfere of that remark:

Hon. P. Ryrre-(laughing)-Coerce is a little strong : you might use the word cajole, perhaps. | Unanimously supplied by the Council dated 10th April, 1884. The CHIEF JUSTICE-I don't remember your The voting was as follows .making any objections. Hon. P. RYRIE-Oh, I did. I wanted certain Hov. Wong Shing . conditions before we voted the money. The CHIEF JUSTICE-L might, perhaps, make a few remarks on this subject. This has been put forward as if the Council were in the habit of The A ting Colonial Secretary voting large sums of money without the general The Chief Justice public knowing the reasons why they were voted. But that is not the fact. The sums of money voted, | majority of three, apart from the estimates, excepting in the last year, have been comparatively small. The estimates are framed on the expenditure and receipts time, and, the Standing Orders being suspended, estimates, if there is any, is explained in papers French Mail Steamers'. Ordinance Continuation sion are of opinion, that it is most undesirable in of previous years, and the increase in the werepassed through their remaining stages: The

when the Council is not in Session there are or the year 1835 was read a first time. may be certain matters of pressing importance in reference to which the Government must take some steps. For instance, a heavy flood comes, and perhaps \$20,000 or \$30,000 are wanted at once. Is it preferable that the Officer Administoring the Government should allow that whole Council to advise him and say it is of Victoria Gool reporting the overcrowded state necessary to expend this money? With regard | thereof :to other matters, when the Council is sitting,

to order that strangers withdraw. Hon. P. Ryrie-That has never been done. any with those two votes on the Loan-several sittings. and the Fortifications the probability is that if they had had to be discussed in Council itwould | first consisting of :have been necessary to do that, for there were a great many matters introduced of a confidential

nature. Colonel Walker insisted he would not give any evidence that could be used unless to visit the Gaol at night and report on the state it was treated as confidential. With regard to thereof, and another consisting of :the Loan, hop, members who were present must know there were certain matters referred to by Mr. Jackson which he never would have men- to enquire into the diet of the prisoners and to tioned in public. Therefore it seems to me the report what changes, if any, should be made best course is to continue the practice that has therein. been ad pted. With regard to the estimates, in | 4.—The reports of these sub-committee are anno part of the world are they considered more in | nexed hereto. (Enclosures 4 and 5.) detail than they are in this Council-(hear, hear, from Mr. Ryrie)—and hon, members beg to report as follows: will remember that on frequent occasions we have had the heads of departments up, and have examined them as to the cause of the increase in their departments, and even on the efficiency of their staff. That could not be done in public. If such questions as we are in

the habit of asking in Committee were put in Council the person would either refuse to answer them, or, if he dil answer them, would not give such full and complete answers. It seems to me, therefore, the better plan is to let things remain as they are, except this: I have always felt there was something due to the public, and not only the official, but the unofficial members have been somewhat to blame for not taking the public more into their confidence. What I would suggest is that when the report of the Committee is brought the hon, member moving its adoption should explain the reasons on which the Committee has arrived at its de-- cision, and then, if any other member wishes to explain his views, it is quite open to him to get up and do so. If any hon, member thinks

be adjourned for one or two meetings, until the public shall have spoken; and I do not think the majority of the members of Council would ever refuse to entertain his request. It seems to me in that way the public can be taken into our confidence much better than if we say that in all these delicate inquiries that take place in the Finance Committee we should have reporters present. I would suggest to hou, members, official and unofficial, whatever opinious they have come two years; 39 from two years to three years; 44 with, they should consider the matters I have from three years to five years; 142 from over now laid before them, and if they think, under | five years. on as well-under the proposed-change as they have been convicted of simple larceny after preall the circumstances, that things would not go have hitherto gone on, with the exception I have

I regret I cannot support any recommendation ordinary Chinaman, he is better fed and better for the admission of the public to the meetings | housed in prison than outside, and the work or tong experience in other colonies, especially were no free. He is in almost unrestricted as have received information on the law respecting to private and the privileges granted by the Belgian Postal wells about five or six o'clock on the merning of have received information on the law respecting to private and has one have received information on the law respecting to private and has one writing where the same system prevails sociation with criminals like himself and has one writing as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the law respecting to private as a second of S.W., going about five knots are seco which was adopted here in 1872. To my and a half day's holiday a week, a thing which knowledge it has been going on in Man- the ordinary Chinese labourer never enjoys. ritius for 30 years. Mauritius is a much larger 9.—On the question of punishment the Comisland than Hongkong, and its expenditure, I mission have considered the legislation as to island than Hongkong, and its expenditure, and in any matters of importance this was all a crime punishable under Section 19 of Ordinways done. Now, since I have left Mauritius, ance 4 of 1865 or under Section 31 of Ordinance Ewen.) they have got a very large representative element | 7 of 1865, that is :in the Council, twelve elected, besides other unofficial members appointed by the Governor, and they are perfectly satisfied with the working of the Finance Committee. It is a great convenience. It enables the Government to give to members of Council confidential information which it would not be able to do otherwise, and the fullest publicity may be given afterwards to the reasons which have influenced the Committee if any honourable member wishes it.

I propose, when the Estimates of next year are laid from that which has hitherto been followed. The when such offender has been convicted of largeny ception of for offences enumerated under section practice has been to lay the estimates before the or any offence deemed and punishable as simple 19 of Ordinance 4 of 1865 and section 31 of Council, refer them to the Finance Committee, Larceny. and then ask the Connoil to vote en bloc, but I propose to move that the Council should go into Committee on the masit does on bills, and you will then be asked to vote sepurately the sums required for the different departments, the same as is done in the House of Commons. You will be asked for so much for the Governor's establishment, forfinstance, and any hon, member can ask questions upon it; but I think it would be very lifficult for hon, members to put these questions unless they had previously considered the matter in Finance Committee. The CHIEF JUSTICE-But you see they have

got their unswers already in Finance Committee. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-May I askwhether bis Honour the Chief Justice proposes to move an amendment embodying his suggestion? The CHIEF JUSTICE said there might be other reasons for continuing the present system than that stated in the amendment of the Attorney,

The Acting Attorney-General said he would accept the suggestion of the Chief Justice, never heard that publicity was objected to because and in reply to a question as to what the vote of any one talking to the press. Nor do I was by which the Council manimously approved

> The COLONIAL TERASURER—Sir, I am re quested to ask if his Honour the Chief Justice would embody, either in that amendment or in

The Acting Colonial Secretary-Gener-

His Excellency—It is an opinion expressed in the Council of which due notice will be taken. The amendment was then put in the followwith the present practice of Council which has been in existence for many years and which was unanimously adopted by the Standing Rules and

Hon. J. Bell-Irving Hon. A. P. MacEwen The Herbour Master Hon. F. D. Sassoon The Surveyor-General The Colonial Treasurer The Acting Attorney-General

The amendment was declared carried by a MAIL STEAMERS ORDINANCES. The following Ordinances were read a first

which are put before the Council and the same Ordinance, and an Ordinance to make temporary is the case if there is any diminution. If there provision for securing the states of German is an increase the reasons for it are Mail Steamers within the ports of the Colony Fortifications, completion of Tytam Water-

The Council adjourned until the 17th Sept.

THE GAOL COMMISSION. The following as the report of a Commission expenditure on his own responsibility, or is appointed by His Excellency the Acting Goverit not better he should have a committee of the nor to consider a fetter from the Superintendent

1.—On the 8th April last a Commission coninvariably a minute explaining the reasons why sisting of the Honourable the Acting Attorney the Government requires the money is laid on General as Chairman; The Honourable A. the table; and it is referred generally to Lister, Colonial Treasurer; The Honourable J. the Finance Committee. It is then open to M. Price, Surveyor General; E. Mackean, Esq.; any hon, member to move that it be dis- Acting Police Magistrate; Major-General Gorcussed in public. But if it was discussed in don, Superintendent, Victoria Gaol; The Honourthe Council, according to our rules, and the able W. Keswick, M.L.C.; C. P. Chater, Esquire, rules of most legislative assemblies, if it was JP.; A. P. MacEwen, Esquire, J.P.; P. Manconsidered a matter that ought to be dealt with son, M.D., J.P., was appointed for the purpose

privately, it is quite open to any single member of considering a report of the Superintendent of the Gaol on the insufficient accommodation in that establishment and the steps which should The CHIEF JUSTICE-It may never have been be taken to remedy the present state of things. done, but the necessity might arise, and I must | 2.—This Commission met at once and has held 3.-Two sub-committees were appointed, the

The Chairman, Hon. Wm. Keswick, Mr. E. Mackean, Major General Gordon, Dr. Manson, and Mr. C.-P. Chater. Major General Gordon, Dr. Manson, and

5.—On the whole question submitted to us we

bring prominently before His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government the peculiar position of Hongkong, a position occupied by no other Colony of Great Britain. Hongkong is situate at the very door of two of the largest provinces of China, and close to and in daily communication with Canton, one of the most populous cities of China. A famine or want of work in either of those provinces or in the city would naturally send a certain number of the inhabitants to Hongkong in search of work or of subsistence, whilst the presence in Canton of an active or severe

awaits them instead of the sharp and cruel punishment which they would certainly receive This fact cannot be too steadily borne i 6.—In Hengkong we have to legislate not only piracy. The only way to avoid this is by a rigorous respective Governments for postal purposes the crew. open to him to ask that its consideration for the Hongkong criminal class but for numbers

ed under sentences of six months; 114 from six grant that one indispensable requirement, viz., ment in the matter, so far as they can legally months to twelve months; 60 from one year to

Of those sentenced to penal servitude manyvious conviction for the same offence, and have suggested, they should give their votes in favour | been so sentenced as a long imprisonment was the only punishment left to secure the public

they were discussed in Finance Committee first. Ordinances or Sections of Ordinances herein. In the state of the situation and a voluminous corput to work to get the water out of the stoke ed signals of distress, and after they had been in from the authorities that consideration which the after mentioned and provides whipping with a from the authorities that of the avilities consideration to check requires adoption of the report, it could be discussed again; ratten when any offender has been convicted of

> Section 19 of 4 of 1865 punishes any-one attempting to choke, strangle, or suffocate any other person, or who by means calculated to choke, suffocate, or strangle shall attempt to render any one unconscious or incapable of resistance, and Section 31 of Ordinance 7 of 1865 punishes robbery with violence.

11.—The only other case in which whipping is it present allowed is under Section 8 of Ordin- the report as there are one or two points as re- ments. ance 15 of 1875 which permits a Police Magie gards the question of panishment with which I trate to inflict whipping on any male offender do not concur. whose age appears to him not to exceed 16 years

12.—The present Ordinance, viz., 3 of 1881, 10 12 of 1865 under which whipping could me at the earlier meetings of the Commission, be inflicted on any male offender convicted of that if the punishment of depriving a Chinaman a crime who at the time of the commission of his queue was to be put into force it would act thereofhad been armed with an offensive wes- as a greater deterrent than whipping. I look pon or instrument, or who at the time of, or upon this made of punishment in a far more

unconscious or incapable of resistance. 2° Sections 2 and 3 of Ordinance 12 of flogging. 1845 which enacted banishment and branding

Trind Society. allowed whipping for injury to trees, shrub fences, &c., and for obeying calls of nature is any exposed or improper place.

ance 8 of 1835 relating to mendicancy.

So., Section 9 of Ordinance 1 of 1886 for the suppression of piracy which ensected whip- reduced.

They picked up several men out of the main were taken to Shanghai.

William Joseph Cotton, chief engineer of William Joseph Cotton, chief engineer of rigging on the starboardside. Haddhere been any rigging or in the starboardside and rigging or in the starboardside. Haddhere been any rigging or in the starboardside and rigging or in 6° Section 1 of Ordinance 3 of 1868 which to punish, of the Superintendent of the Gael, I ping for offences against that Ordinance.

child stealing or foroible detention of any that before acting he should be requested to con-In all other respects I agree with the report. man, woman or child for the purpose of sell-\_I am, Sir, your obedient servant, 7° Ordinance 4 of 1872 which enacted ing them: branding and flogging for criminals in certain 8°. Section 7 of Ordinance 16 of 1875 which | DESPATCH RESPECTING SIR GEO.

cases, and gave the Magistrate the power of whipping the offender once or twice for committing the following offences a second time or under aggravated circumstances, viz. :-Indocent assault,

Indecent exposure of his person, Assault with intent to rob. Common assault committed in a brothel, Common assault committed at or in connec-

Magistrate, at present Acting Registrar of the departure from the Colony. between the several Secretaries of State and terms of Sir George Bowen's Address to the steamer Crusader.

that the Gaol is at present overcrowded. in part this overcrowding they suggest that, Juvenile Offenders. (b) That an enquiry be instituted into the have &c..

cases of the 39 prisoners sentenced for gambling and that such as are not gambling house owners, or keepers, shroffs, or watchmen, be forthwith liberated. (c.) That an enquiry be made into the cases of the 46 men committed in default of finding security and that the least aggravated cases be forthwith liberated.

16.—With respect to the future the Commis-

inadequate as a means of punishment. 18.—They would again strongly urge on His Excellency the Officer Administering the Govern-

depredations and incursions of numbers of Fronch Convention shall remain in force, and I three p.m. on the 12th, and going nine knots an ment the facts:the criminal classes of the two Kwang pro- therefore request that you will take the neces hour The wind was N.N.E. At noon that day 20. That short terms of imprisonment are Ordinance similar to No. 10 of 1884, for this ling a heavy gale, with a tempestuous sea. At no punishment at all for the ordinary Chi- purpose.—I have, &c.,

3 . That some other kind of punishment is

20.—At present the only punishment for re- oriminals from abroad to Germany.

and does not prevent many from returning. commenced by the Suc-Committee.

Imperial Government lays grows across to the series before the ship struck. The obeyed the order, but he could not say whether mail steamers being looked upon as in some go on deck again before the ship struck. The obeyed the order, but he could not say whether mail steamers being looked upon as in some go on deck again before the ship struck. The 21.-That the scale of diet be reduced as recommended by the Sub-Committee. the Commission are of opinion that the numbers sense men-of-war.

in the Gaol would almost immediately be considerably reduced, as not only would there be a the long sentenced convicts who have not obed the British they concluded with the steamer Chintung came alongside from which he had just come up. After they after the time they vessel left her first anguilty of any serious crime might receive conditions to the Postal Treaty concluded with the steamer Chintung came alongside from which he had just come up. After the time they vessel left her first angular of the steamer Chintung came alongside from which he had just come up. After the time they vessel left her first angular of the steamer Chintung came alongside from which he had just come up. After the time they vessel left her first angular of the steamer chintung came and four the steamer chintung came an very sensible reduction in the offenders sentenced

We deem it necessary in the first place to the separate system, which should be carried granted a similar privilege. for all ordinary wants, and the measures which the Treaty concluded between Great Britain and was going down head foremost. I was put a heavy rash over the stern. Witness never saw they suggest would give within a very short and Prussia on August 16th, 1865, hope, neverthey suggest women give much again, and russis on August total, 1909, novel of our crew including two of the mates, the three that so came over he must have gone overheard. period the residence of many thesess, that in conforming with the British engineers, and nine seamen. I have no know- for the storm went down, and there was nothing alternative measure, viz., the building of a new principles of International Law, the British engineers, and nine seamen. I have no know- for the storm went down, and there was nothing gaol be resolved on it would take at least two or Government will see their way to confer upon ledge whatever as to what became of the captain but water for him to be in. At that time witthree years to build, and in the meantime the the subsidized mail steamers of the North and the corporar. The Chinese landed on one mass heard from the rigging several distinct cries present state of things would continue.

25.—Moreover the Commission are unanimously granted to the French Mail steamers by the captain gave me all the papers as I left the ship. who they were. There were five men taken out present state of things would continue. of opinion that even if there was ample accommodation in the gaol the punishment of whipping should be introduced for the offences above mentioned. They feel very strongly that in

> taxpayers of Hongkong should not be called upon Government that the privileges of ships-of-war funds. I have asked them to telegraph to the and a half distant from where she struck. to provide the prison accommodation required which are accorded by Article V. of the Conven- owners to ascertain whether we are to be paid, by Western ideas for the criminal population of tion between Great Britain and France of Sep- and they said they would let me know later on province long notorious for turbulence and tember 24th, 1856, to vessels subsidized by their I have no reason to complain of the conduct of ing further evidence was takin:

tendent of the Gaol (Enclosure 6) it appears that morning and they were steer—the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time this ship struck; there was sourcely the time that the time tha grant that one manspensause requirement, viz., ment in the matter, so far as they can regard on the position mate's certificate of competency, which he obtainstely for returning from do so, and I will proceed to explain the position mate's certificate of competency, which he obtainstely for returning from do so, and I will proceed to explain the position mate's certificate of competency. banishment a criminal who, in his own country of Her Majesty's Government with reference to ed at South Shields in October last. He joined clear the bilges, which had been choked with banishment a criminal who, in mis own country of Her Majesty's Government with respect to pump out the water which hal taken on board the Chintung he came back and would be batten unmercifully simply as a prewould be partied unmerchantly simply as a pre- the restal Convention with Belgium of Fe- gave evidence as to what occurred from the time got into her. They went in on the north side of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with Belgium of Fe- gave evidence as to what occurred from the time got into her. They went in on the north side liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, with the separate system to a similar convention with ineignment of the liminary to trial. This, which is a similar convention with the separate system to a similar convention with the separate system.

prisonment made more deterrent entire by re- Messageries maritimes arst began to run t from further depredation.

8.—With respect to the deterrent select of the Superintendent important one, and I shall make it my duty imprisonment this Commission has no hesitation to forward a report of it to the Scoretary in saying that under the liberal diet which at the Sayantandent of the Sa to forward a report of it to the Scoretary in saying that under the liberal diet which at of State, giving him the opportunity of giving presentexists in the Gaol and other circumstances of State, giving him the opportunity of giving presentexists in the Gaol and other circumstances of Gaol by Section 11 of Ordinance 4 of 1863, viz. of State, giving him the opportunity of giving present exists in the Gaoland other circumstances such directions in respect to the suggestions in respect to the suggestion of the latest the course of criminal instinct or respect to the suggestion of the latest the sug such directions in respect to the suggestions attending imprisonment, a short detention, say that have been made as he may think fit. But under six months, is no punishment for an interest sense, and they went and so as to defeat the course of criminal justice on the 14th the gale moderated, and they went and so as to defeat the course of criminal justice on the 14th the gale moderated, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went and so as to defeat the course of criminal justice on the 14th the gale moderated, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went and so as to defeat the course of criminal justice on the 14th the gale moderated, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense, and they went a punishment for an interest sense. guilty of the offences in that article mentioned, of their civil remedies. In 1878 a case of collision At nine o'clock the wind shifted to the S.E. be restored, in order to maintain discipline arose at Dover between a subsidized vessel The course was then altered to South, and at 8

> for a great many offences for which they do not the Crown without authority of Parliament to afterhold. They rigged the pumps, but also. The ship was steering S. S. W. The small ask that it should be applied here; and in pre- clothe these subsidized vessels with the imsence of the Singapore legislation on this subject manities of foreign ships-of-war so as to deling about. At 8.15 a.m. on the 15th they saw the distant E. by N. Witness took the bearings of they trust that the restricted recommendation prive British subjects of their right to proceed land about six points from the starboard bow. his own accord, -When the vessel struck her which they have made on this point will be con- against them for the enforcement of their legal He found this land was the Taichow Islands; engines were put astern, but the ship did not back, sidered most reasonable; and that it will receive rights. That decision has naturally added to the he had nover seen them before. All hands were and only slewed round very little. They horst (Signed by all but Mesers. Keswick and Mac-

MR. A. P. MACEWEN TO THE CHAIRMAN. Hongkong, 28th May, 1886. Sir,-I have to express my regret at being unable to attend the last few meetings of the Gaol Commission owing to absence from the colony. I have given careful attention to the report which is to be sent to His Excellency the Administrator with the approval and signatures of the members of the Commission. I do not sign

To be brief, I am against flogging with ex-16 of 1865 and for returning from banishment. I am of the opinion, as already expressed by tempted to render any other person insensible have conterred upon the subject fully agree as

to this mode of punishment in preference to 30 Section 7 of Ordinance 12 of 1856 which of solitary confinement on sparse diet without the the wind which the the wind which of solitary confinement on sparse diet without the the wind which the wind I would not inflict it until a man had received for persons convicted of belonging to the fair warning, say, for second offence, and in cases A few examples of depriving Chinaman of privileges mentioned in Art. V. of the Boats | they picked one man out of the water, and they four being left behind. These men at they picked one man out of the water, and they their queues might have to be made, when I be. Onevention with France deptember 24th, 1866, found, when they so be made, when I be. Onevention with France deptember 24th, 1866, found, when I be made, when I be.

am of opinion that this should be granted, but the British mail steamers on the lines to India. they practically derive no benefit from the Article in question, while the other provisions of the Conventions have for the most part been abrogated by the Postal Union Treaty of Borne of October 9th, 1874, and by the Convention of

Paris (the Universal Postal Union) of June 1st, THE LOSS OF THE BRITISH STEAMER.

" MADRAS."

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES MARINE COURT OF INQUIRY. TO THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE A marine court of inquiry into the circum-Sir, I have the honour to acknowledge the was held at the Harbour Office, Hongkong, he had gone ashore. Ayres (Enclosure 7) and Mr. Wise, the Police of the Colony.

Magistrate at present Acting Registrar of the Appendix Series and the Colony. receipt of Sir George Bowen's Despatch, No. on the 30th August before Captain H. G. I have read this despatch and its enclosures Oceanic: Francis Grandin, master British captain? road the several despatches which have passed with much interest; and as I gather from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of those we took from the steamer Harter; Thomas Rowin, master British Witness—I heard some of the steamer Harter is the steamer is the steamer Harter is the steamer Harter is the steamer is

between the soveral decrements of School and terms of Sir George District that Sir George Consider the President opened the proceedings with a others had gone ashore in a sampan.

Successive Governors of Hongkong on the sub- Legislative Council and the reply thereto that The President opened the proceedings with a others had gone ashore in a sampan. ject of gaol accommodation and penal punish. it is not probable that Sir George Bowen will few remarks. He said this was a case in which Was not the captain's name mentioned?—I return to the Colony, I have pleasure in availing the captain was not present, in fact it was doubt- | do not think so. ments (Enclosure 2.)

14—After having carefully considered the myself of this opportunity of expressing my ful whether he had not been drowned. He had I see you were with him on the previous voy-14.—After having carciumy considered the myself of this opportunity of expressing my fin whether no met not occur and account of inquiry to age. I suppose he was a captain you liked?—Yes.

I suppose he was a captain you liked?—Yes. That as a temporary measure to relieve important Government of Hongkong, and of relieve in part this overgrowding they suggest that.

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The part this overgrowding they suggest that. n part this overcrowding they suggested that, cording the same same with the noticed his reference to the efficient co-operation mate had not applied for a court of inquiry, and Lieut. Keigwin—Did you ever see this chart mate had not applied for a court of inquiry, and Lieut. Keigwin—Did you ever see this chart mate had not applied for a court of inquiry. West End Reformatory to receive all the afforded to him by the Legislature of the Colony, he had done so. Captain Thomsett rend his before? and by all branches of the Public Service.—I letter of application for a warrant for the court | Witness—I have seen it in the chart room. members of the crew were, and that some of the captain working at the chart. (Signed) FRED. STANLEY. THE STATUS OF THE GERMAN MAIL Thomsett also read the warrant he subsequently afterwards.

the holding of the court. The following correspondence was laid on the Michael Joseph Keating deposed-I hold a I think. table of the Legislative Council on the 27th master's certificate of competency, which I got at Sunderland in 1885. I was chief mate of the THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES Madras, joining her in that capacity in Sunderland on October last, and served as such until TO THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE Sir,—I have the honour to transmit to you on her as second mate. We left Nagasaki on time he heaved the lead before she struck. works, remove comegn, and sounded again and found a rock, and was then sluking, and big waves entail to embark on such a large and expensive livered by Court Bismarck to Her Majesty's mand, with a cargo of coal for Hongkong. We eight fathous of water. I know where she were wathing great her I saw the cargo of coal for Hongkong of water. I know where she livered by Court Bismarck to Her Majesty's mand, with a cargo of coal for Hongkong of water. I know where she were wathing great her I saw the cargo of coal for Hongkong of water. I know where she were wathing great her I saw the cargo of coal for Hongkong of water. I know where she were wathing great her I saw the cargo of coal for Hongkong of the shear of the Ambassador at Berlin, and of a letter in reply were drawing 20 feet 8 inches aft and 20 feet struck, the captain of the Chindred gave me the two life halts and I had two. The carpenter to it from the Region of Rosebarry to the Courses. the newspapers; so that in regard to the bulk tary sum of one hundred and twenty-three necessity of it has been fully demonstrated; and the newspapers; so that in regard to the bulk tary sum of one hundred and twenty-three necessity of that such a stantage of complete the complete of t the Commission are of opinion that such a step Ambassador at this Court, relative to a request August. I produce the ship's log books kept Liont. Keigwin (to the witness)—Do you know of the money voted for public purposes during the thousand seven hundred and minery-eight uotygen the money voted for public have every information. But lars and eleven cents to defray the charges of lars and eleven cents are also and the lars and eleven cents are also and the large and the larg mail vessels subsidized by that Government that Government should be released on the same feeting as the ship's register. We had fine weather up to peed on the same feeting as the ship's register. We had fine weather up to peed on the same feeting as the ship's register. 17.—Respecting those other measures the should be placed on the same footing as the ship's register. We had fine weather up to noon wanted a better anchorage.

required from H. E. the Acting Governor for

Commission are unanimously of opinion that the French Messageries Maritimes steamers, under of the 11th. The crew consisted of the master, that the privileges mentioned in article 5 of the liremen's cooks, a Chinese steward, and a Chinese washed overhourd, over the stern. Postal Convention with France, should be ex. mess room steward. The barometer was kent in the 10. That in Hongkong we are exposed to the tended to these German vessels so long as the cabin. The ship was steering S.W. by W. up to sary steps for procuring the enactment of an the barometer stood 30.05, and it was then blow- rigging said it. For the Secretary of State.

issument.

19.—That they are unanimously of opinion at Bremen intends to establish a line of steamers and Australia down. At noon on the 13th the baremeter was when the vessel was wrecked on the 15th. On to stick to the plank.

Li Fong said—I was a solitary confinement by itself would not to said between Gorgany Chine and Australia down. At noon on the 13th the baremeter was As, according to British Law such criminals, chain broke away, but after great difficulty engine room when the vessel struck, which octurning from panisament is one years impreson. As, according to privisa may saon criminals, one array, our areas array, our array ar

venting the prompt delivery of the mail, the sible, and was carried to the cabin by the second until after the vessel struck, when the order Imperial Government lays great stress no these mate. I was so injured that I was not able to came by the telegraph "full speed astern." He

German Lloyd the same privileges as have been of the islands, and they are all here now. The from people in the water, but he could not say. He did not point out to me the position of the of the rigging, and one out of the water, by a ship on the chart, and of my own knowledge I boat under the command of the second mate. do not know our position. The pencil marks on From the time the anchor was weighed inside the chart were made by the captain: I did not the islands to the time the vessel struck about a see him make them. I saw none of my effects, quarter of an hour or twenty minutes clapsed be-M. L'Ambassador,—I have placed myself in nor did any of the crew. All the crew have wages fore she struck. At the time she struck the predations and to migrate to mongkong, where the mongkong suring the mongkong and evils to generally to meet the exceptional dangers and evils to communication with the Secretary of State for due to them, and I can make up the accounts if engines were going half speed, having been put to meet the exceptional dangers and evils to communication with the Secretary of State for due to them, and I can make up the accounts if engines were going half speed, having been put to meet the exceptional dangers and evils to communication with the Secretary of State for due to them, and I can make up the accounts if engines were going half speed, having been put to meet the exceptional dangers and evils to Communication with the secretary of the secretary of

By the Court-I last saw the captain and carof that class elsewhere, who are only too ready of that system, which the Colony has never yet Lloyd's line of steamers which is about to be penter as the captain helped me into the sympan. been allowed to carry out, the infliction of whip- established between Germany, China, and Aus- The entries as to what occurred while I was in the joined the vessel as bootswrin, and was made to carry out, the infliction of whipping for the mere offence of returning from tralia and which will receive a subsidy from the German Government for the carriage of mails. | captain put three men with me in the sampan ;

a bruary 17th, 1879, note or which contain one or teaving regeneration on the state of the chief side. Witness had been about 25 years at Lide also came inside while lie was there, and same provision granting the privileges of ships was to the same effect as that of the chief side. Witness had been about 25 years at Lide also came inside while lie was there, and practical solution of the whole question granting the privileges of super was to sue same entering the chief mate sea. The vissel was anchored in five fathours anchored on the port side of the Market Postal Vessels.

28.—Lastly they heg to state that, should any of war to subsidized Postal Vessels. 28.—Lastly they meg to state that, should any of war to subsidized rostal vessels. The vessel wis anomored in the log relating the about a mile or a mile and a half from the captain took him into the chart room before he with the facts entered in the log relating the about a mile or a of the above suggestions be carried out and im
From the time when the exact spot

prisonment made more deterrent either by re
Messageries Maritimes first began to run
Messageries Maritimes fi of Belgium, Le Parlement Relge, and the British p.m. they found 43 fathoms. At 8.15 they steered 29.—Since writing the above, the Commission strang which raised the question of S.W., going about five knots. They sounded the find the spot the vessel struck by means of these

Convention before the tribunals in this country. the 15th and found ten inches of water in the Witness wentern to say he was on the bridge French Postal steamers have prevented a re- rock. The nearest land then was about a mile filling with water. newal of the complaints of the Colonial Govern- distant. Witness was on the forecastle head, and the captain was on the bridge when the ship

Country in the case of the Parlement Belge it is mediately the ship struck, but witness could not clear that Her Majesty's Government are unable say what the order was. There was not a great to secure to Postal vessels that complete im- crash when the ship struck, but she rose up. munity from the process of the local Courts Witness thought the vessel struck about amidwhich is the privilege of ships-of war, but if the ships. While they were there the Chintung came atructions to be issued to the Imperial Consular of distress flying, after they had been in that the Chambers but the Chambers of the Month of distress flying, after they had been in that German Lloyd's steamers and to the Agents of tween the islands. She sent a boat to the Madras the Company in all British ports of call to give under the command of her chief officer, who came all necessary facilities to the local authorities in on board by the gangway and saw the captain.

In view of the decision of the Courts in this struck. The captain sounded the telegraph im-

sunk a portion of the funnel being above water. the boat was about two miles off there. They picked up several men out of the main were taken to Shanghai. mined at any time owing to the difficulties | the fore rigging, he would probably have seen | cortificate of competency, which he obtained conversation about them in the boat. remark about the absence of Captain Plenge,

him and the others who were missing? . Witness-Nothing in particular that I rewhere the captain is " ?-I do not remember anystances attending the loss of the above steamer thing of that kind in particular. We supposed Why should you suppose that? and besides

to the Acting Governor, in which it was set out. Did you ever see these pencil marks before. that the captain was not here, but that other Only as I passed the chart room door I saw them would be likely to leave shortly. Captain | Was that before or after she struck? -It was

she had first anchored?—About four or five miles. In what direction ?-I could not say. What was the last sounding before the ship struck ?-I did not hear it called. The chief mate (Keating)-I heard it; it was the day of the wreck. I had previously served twelve fathoms. I was listening to him every

present system of imprisonment is altogether the Postal Convention with France of Septem-It is the wish of Her Majesty's Government | were firemen, a Chinese ship's cook, two Chinese | said they saw the captain and the carpenter The President-Who said that?

engineer, and two of the men who were in the

throng p.m. we took in all sails, and hove the ship to give any further evidence that occurred to him. In board the Fooderness on I there did so. The John Harwood said he held a second engineer's on board the Frekrings and they did so. The 29.95, at eight 29.90, at midnight 29.85. We cortificate of compotency which he obtained at while I was in the midnight 29.85. We cortificate of compotency which he obtained at while I was in the midnight 29.85. ment, and the Committee have good reason for when the steamer soldies as a british beavy seas washing the ship fore and aft. While received no orders after the captain took up the believing that such a punishment is not sufficient port, might demand a hearing before a British beavy seas washing the ship fore and aft. While received no orders after the captain took up the Judge, thus delaying the course of law and pre-

to what occurred up till the time the ship struck | deck when the vessel slid off the rock, and he one, for in modern Treaties of Commerce and was obtained from the other officers. While in climbed up into the starboard rigging. This Navigation such privileges have more than once the cabin on the 15th, at about a quarter past was between eight and nine o'clock, he should the cabin on the late, at about a quarter pass was netween eight and the quarter deck of the Matrix. On she casins at the two, I felt the ship strike. I crawled out of the think. The captain was on the quarter deck ship went ashore, he was in the chains at the been accorded to substance man scenarios.

The British Government, for instance, has cabin then and came out on deck, and stopped then, close to the companion way to the cibin, time she struck. He relieved the last witness.

The British Government, for instance, has cabin then and came out on deck, and stopped then, close to the companion way to the cibin, time she struck. He relieved the last witness.

25.—The Commission cannot but feel that the giving effect to the wishes expressed by your ment of the wages, and they say they have no He should think the land was a mile or a mile and re-assembled at 2.15, after which the follow-Thomas Atkinson, third mate of the Mulras, deposed that he hold no certificate of competency.

He joined the Madras in Shields in October last. he was on deck all that day. It was blowing a

Witness, by desire of the Court, proceeded to

30.—They note that whipping is allowed there The Courts held that it was not competent for fore hold, two feet in No. 2 hold, and dry in the when the ship steelek, and the captain was there respondence has taken place between the British hole by baling. They got sights by these islands. that position about an hour the Chinese steamer and French Governments arising out of the con- and afterwards the ship was run for them, all Chintung came in sight and sent a boat to them flicts which have occurred at Hongkong, Singa- hands being at work to clear the bilges. They with the chief officer in charge. The boot went pore, and Coylon between the judicial authorities anchored the vessel at 1.15 p.m. in five fathome back with the chief engineer, the second mate, and the Messageries Maritimes. Indeed Her of water, and after lying there ten minutes they and four hands to fetch some more boats. While Majesty's Government would have been com- went ahead again. There was one leademan in witness was on the vessel these men did not come pelled to determine the Postal Convention with the chains at the time the vessel first entered. back, but some native boats came off from the is-France by notice under Art. 37 were it not that and he was relieved later on by another man. land and hung round the ship. Witness left the the more recent instructions which appear to Witness was on deck when the vessel struck ship at about seven o'clock in the evening in have been given to the Commanders of the which was at 2.15 p.m. She struck on a sunken company with nine Chinamen, the ship being The President-Did the captain give you

> leave to go? Witness-No, he did not give me leave to go the captain was on the quarter deck then, and he saw us go, but he said nothing to us. I asked him to come in the same boat we were in, but he would not come, and I have not seen him since. These nine men and myself were put

Did they treat you well? They gave us some process and not to claim to exercise the privilege | tain Pleuge would send some men to work her | thing to last, and treated us as well as they could. in question to the detriment of public justice or Captain Plenge sent witness and some of the We were there until the Monday. On the should at any of the times aforesaid has a stress and some or the that several respectable Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer, and they got the Chinamen with whom I of public rights it is unlikely that any practical mer. Her Majesty's Government are therefore pre the chief mate on the way to the Chintung with with what effects we have eased, but they pared on that understanding to signify to the some men; he said all hands had left the Madres refused to do so without some money. About Governors of the Colonies at which the steamers and it was no use going back to her, and witness five in the evening the British steamer Zaku of the North German Lloyds are intended to returned to the Chantung. Some time after that came in sight. She saw the wreck, and came touch that the line is subsidised by the Imperial whileon board the Chintung hesaw blue lighte and inside. We made signals on shore, and the

shouting. They lacked about for elige men in 1882, and had been serving in her ever China, and Australia only touch at British ports from the wrook, and not finding any ore, they since. He remembered getting into a tyto look for anyone again, but want off with the and bilges got choked by the small coal washing Chintung on her voyage. The captain and about. He advised the captain to go into the others were missing; there was no particular shelter of the Taichiow Islands tocker the pumps The President-Did none of you especially Taichiew Islands, and they turn id back and went eight knots. Witness did not know where the desirability of making some further search for captain left the first anchorage, all he heard the off, and that he was going further in shore. They were at anchor there about ten minutes. From the time they left this anchorage to the time toin was f Did not somebody say, "I wonder they struck about 20 minutes elapsed. When astern but failed to move her. Witness was on deck when the vessel struck. Before witness

left the ship the captain took him into the chart room and showed him the position of the ship on Joseph A. Thompson, master British steamer thought seme of you would have asked for your captain indicated to him.) The mate of the Cheanie. There were the time that the sentain was nothing that could be done; she was fast, and had a lot of water in her, but for himself, he meant to stay by hor to the last. Witness went away by the Chintung's boat, and he had no idea what became of the captain. Thomas Campbell, third engineer of the Ma-What I mean is that you all seem to have kept | dras, said he held no certificate of compatency. walking about on the quarter deck at that time.

three Chinamen and the carpenter being with The President-Did you see them do anything to save their lives? Witness-I saw the captain and the carpenter How far do you suppose the ship went after put belts on. While I was in the rigging I saw. Chinamen over the rail. I have not seen the eaptain or the carpenter since, but I have seen all three Chinamen. I was taken off the rigging that night by the second mate. Wat Kit said-I was stoward of the Madras. I was with the captain on the quarter deckton the 15th August, together with the carpenter and two other Chinamen. The vessel had struck on

board of my own accord. The exptain's boy got there that night, and I got there about five the next morning. I saw the captain's boy about noon. The captain went overboard before ma. Mand I followed directly after. I do not know Keating-The second engineer, and the chief whether he jumped overboard or was washed I was ashore I saw the Fooksang come in sight. The President said Keating could be re-called and I give a bingle I was wearing, worth \$4, to

still lay N.N.E. to the wind, going through the North Shields in 1832. He joined the Molers at the whole where he was a least of the whole and he was a least of the was a le water about two knots an hour, no land in sight.

At -2 n m the starboard often lifeheat was From July next the North German Lloyd At 2 n.m. the starboard after lifeboat was when the vessel was wrecked on the 15th. On the stick to the plant. went the evils complained of; wherefore they

The steamers will corry the official mail, for 129.30, and at this time the ship was making no recommend that whipping he allowed as recom- which they will receive a certain subsidy from head way but drove hodily to leaward and was meet the even companion of the water of the steamers will receive a certain subsidy from head way but drove bodily to leeward, and was making no beyond that whipping be allowed as recom- which they will receive a certain subsidy from head way but drove bodily to leeward, and was making no beyond that was possible, and the water a Sanday. About seven in the evening I was recommend that whipping be allowed as recom- which they will receive a certain subsidy from head way but drove bodily to leeward, and was gained. They cut the pipes and got the coal out. On the duart of sek with last with a sand another mended by Mr. Wise, for all cases of netty theft the Tanarial Correct Government. Resides the recommend that whipping he answer as recommendation of the quarter deck with last with the captain and tried to got them in order. The captain on the quarter deck with last with the captain and tried to got them in order. The captain was sitting the lamb and for returning from banishment.

20.—At present the only numbers are bound to transport, from abroad to Germany.

About sevening I was gained. They cut the pipes and got the coal out. And was gained. They cut the pipes and got the coal out. And they will receive a certain should not the quarter deck with last with the captain was sitting than At 9.45 the storboard wheel the number of the coal out. And was gained. They cut the pipes and got the coal out. And they will receive a certain should recei

a stand for flower nots. The carpenter also went overboard before me, and I have not seen either Junes Farrige said he was able seamin on board the Makets: He was in the chains about dinner time on the lath before the ressel anchored, but he was not there when she struck. William Henry Neal said he was an abloseaman of the Madras. On the 15th August, the day the

would parameter out by bandshow.

If rance on periodic results and sent a most out. The chief mate of the rock the seat seamed to chorage. The something he took were eight.

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The present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the provision expressed in clause I. of the present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the present gaol would then be sufficient to the provision expressed in clause I. of the p said he was at the wheel at the time she. went to an anchorage inside Taichiow Islands on the 15th. He was also at the wheel

when shagot under was again. Hastoprod hor S. S. W. for about ton minutes, and then steered S. S. W. by W. also for about the minutes, after that he starbearded and came round two or three points. A man named Mansfield was at the wheel with him. William Man shald said he was an ordinary soaman on board the Matris. Hawas at the wheel with last witness from So'clock on the 15th until the time the vessel struck. Howartheresix hours without being relieved. He was steering S.W.

by W. a short time before she struck and the esptain told him to part a little, and that put it S. S. W. by W. The President observed that porting the helm would not effect alteration of the course; he thought the witness did not know much about the compass and did not remember what course he was steering. He thought it was no use askhim any more questions. Mr. Atkinson, recalled, said that after the vessel got under way she steered about the same course, S.S.W., and that course was kept up till

Mr. Keating, re-called, said that after he was

1.—That the British steamer Medrus, official No. 70,626, of London, 1,097 tons register, with a full eurgo of coal for Hongkong of which Honry Plonge, No. of whose certificate of competency is 29,952, was master, became a total wresk on the 15th August, at 2.15 p.m. on a rock in the buy within the west side of the Tai Chiow Islands. .-We find that the ship experienced a severe

typhoon on the 12th and 13th August, causing great less of boats, &c., and the ship was have to, and the wheal chains carried away, but were secured; the chief mate, Mr Kenting, receivedsevers injuries. On the morning of the 15th the weather was more moderate. It was then found that the ship was making water, and that the pumps and bilies were choked with small coals. The captuin determined to put into the Tui Chiow Island, and streed for them. The vessel was anchored off the west side of the northern Tai Chiow Island, but remained there only ten minutes, as the anchorage was not considered a safe one. The vessel weighed anchor, and made for the regular anchorage, but struck a rock said to be near the place on the chart indicating good

3.-We are of opinion that Captain Plenge, and anchorage. the curpenter, (Edward Eugblow) were washed overboard and drowned. 4.-In the absence of the captain, and the chief mate's injuries having incapacitated him from

performing his duties, the court has had but mengre evidence on which to come to any conclusion as to the exact position of the rock on which the Madras struck. The evidence, however, bears out the fact that Captain Plenge was navigating his ship in a careful and seamanlike manner, and they much regret that they can come to no other decision than they have as regards his and the carpenter's safety. 5.—The masters of Chinese steamer Chintung, and of the British steamer Take gave most ready and valuable assistance, and are deserving of all praise. Given under our hands this 30th August, 1886.

H. G. THOMSETT, Stipendiary Magistrate. (PECEGE S. KEIGWIN, Nav. Lieut. R. N. J. H. Тномреом, Э Manters Mercantile Marine, **LIGKYADI**M

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd, 1886.

COMMITTEES.

At the meeting of the Legislative, Council this afternoon the Hon. A. P. MACEWEN will ask two questions and move a resolution. of the Law Committee have taken place since the Committee was formed in 1883?" and (2) " How many sittings of the Public Works Committee have taken place since the Committee was formed in 1883?" We guet 28. believe some four or five sittings of the Law

had some difficulty in giving him an This was a mac in which the course suggested the disposal of the public funds except when answer. In the Standing Orders of the by the Chief Justice might have been adopted it is clear some special and weighty reason Council it is provided that there shall be with great advantage. The Acting Colonial renders privacy more desirable.—August 39. a Law Committee, but not a word is said | Secretary, as Chairman of the Finance Comas to the duties of the Committee, and in mistee, might have explained, in moving the the orders relating to the progress of Bills adoption of the report, why it was framed in | HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. generally against the meetings of this Committee there is no mention made of their reference such a peculiar manner, and might thus have to such a body. It is, of course, open to the saved his Committee from a great deal of

ance, but a Standing Law Committee is an spective character. The officials on Friday absurdity. less as the Law Committee. The Standing most ideal system. When a vote for money Orders of the Council provide that there is required, if the Legislative Council is in shall be such a committee, but say not a session, a minute of the Governor's is preword as to its functions, which as a matter sented asking for the vote and stating why of fact are nil. When the Committee was it is required. A motion is then made that instituted the idea was, we believe, that the minute be referred to the Finance Comwhen any extraordinary public work was pro- mittee, and upon that motion it is open to jected, for which a special vote would be re- any member to move as an amendment that quired, the Committee should report upon the minute be considered in open the scheme. It was never intended that it Council. If this is not done the matter should in any way exercise a supervision goes before the Finance Committee, and over the Public Works Department in its or- is reported upon by that body. When dinary routine work or in reference to the report is presented it is again open to any project for which a vote had already members to raise a discussion on it. What been taken. When the Council has once more can be required? ask the officials. voted funds the control of the expenditure They did not state that this system, put meeting of Council about the middle of Septempasses to the Executive, and the Legis- forward as so perfect, is but a thing of ber for the purpose of considering the estimates lative Council has no further say in the yesterday, and was called into existence as for next year. I find myself, however, compelled matter, except that of course any mem- a slight instalment of the radical reform to summon a special meeting at an earlier period ber is always at liberty to ask questions, which has been asked for. What was the though the Government is not necessarily former practice? A vote was required, and bound to answer them. But when public the Governor's minute, if there was any works are projected, they must necessarily minute, was sent direct to the Finance Com- to pass a similar Ordinance in respect of be submitted to the Finance Committee be- mittee. The first and last the public ever the new line of German mail steamers. fore a vote can be recommended, and as the heard of it was when the Colonial The French Mail Steamers Ordinance is only Finance Committee is none too large for the | Secretary moved that "the following votes, | passed for a year, and I have no authority to repurpose of pronouncing on the utility or which have been approved by the Finance otherwise of any project it will be seen that Committee, receive legislative sanction." there is literally no work left for the Public There was no minute read stating the Gover-Works Committee to do. If in any case it nor's reasons for asking for the money, and no should be deemed desirable that a particular report of the Finance Committee giving the read these two Ordinances for the first time. project should be investigated by a smaller grounds on which they voted the money. committee it would obviously be more ex- The whole thing had been settled in private, this opportunity to lay the estimates before the pedient to refer it to a special committee se- and all the Council had to do was to record lected on account of the members' special the vote. The reformed system, for which knowledge of the subject than to an the official members took so much credit on invertebrate body like the standing Friday, is certainly an improvement on this, Public Works Committee, the members but it does not go far enough. A bald

ning of the session as a matter of form give the public that insight into the opinions and who probably forget next day which and views of their representatives that they committee it is they have been appointed to ought to have, and which can only be oband never know who their supposed col- tained by taking note of a speaker's words leagues are. If any useful work is expected as they came fresh from his lips. Whatever from such a body as the latter, the first step | may be said to the contrary, the real business must be to define its functions, so that the is done in Finance Committee, and the dismembers themselves may know what these are. | cussion which may follow afterwards in | The form of appointing a Liw Committee Council can be little better than parrot work, and a Public Works Committee should, ac- | the members having already said all that | cording to the Standing Orders, be gone they can have to say in Committee. through this afternoon.

has given notice is a matter of more practi- other hand, the advocates of publicity cannot Steamers; a despatch respecting the withdrawa cal importance than his questions. It is, deny that there may be occasions on of ecclesissical grants in Hongkoug; and a desindeed, of supreme importance, and the com- which it is essential the deliberations patch respecting Sir George Bowen's departure munity is indebted to the hon, gentleman for should be carried on in private. The from the colony. having formally brought the matter forward | point in dispute has narrowed itself down to at the earliest opportunity. The resolution this: that whereas the officials say publicity. The minutes of several meetings of the Finis :- "That in future all matters of public should be looked upon as the exception and lance Committee were laid on the table, and the interest, and more particularly the voting of should be specially asked for when it is de- sums recommended were voted. Public Funds, be discussed openly in Coun- stred, the advocates of publicity say privacy cil, and not, as heretofore, at private meet- ought to be the exception, and ought to be moiety of an honorarium, sanctioned by the Seings of the Finance Committee." The vote kllowed only when there are good grounds crotary of State, to Mr. Hillior, Acting Chinese on this resolution will be, we venture to pre- for supposing that publicity would be de- Secretary at the British Legation, for superindict, unanimously in the affirmative. The trimental to the public interests, as might tending Chinese studies of Cadets in Peking, idea of allowing eleven gentlemen, no matter happen in such a case as that of the fortifi. said-Sir, I think the Hon, the Colonial Secrewho they may be, to vote away the public cations. For such cases as this and a few tary will recollect I made a few remarks when funds in secret conclave is one that will not others that may present themselves the this vote was proposed in Finance Committee on bear serious examination for a moment. Finance Committee might very well be either at this meeting or on some future occasion The tendency of late' has been to make the maintained. In the Estimates, for metance, to bring forward a resolution with reference to Finance Committee everything and the Le- the great bulk of the items, we maintain, are that subject. gislative Council nothing more than a court proper subjects for public discussion, but His Excellency-Well, any time you like, of record, so far as the public expenditure is the question of alterations in salaries is one but for a resolution you must give notice. concerned. If it be decided that all ques- that possibly might be best dealt with in Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-I beg to give notice tions of expenditure are to be discussed in private. We are not prepared to admit at that at the next meeting of the Council I will public, as we think it must be, the Finance once that it is so. The matter is not one in Committee may as well be left to go the way | which the feelings of the "harmless nin- | THE LAW COMMITTEE AND THE PUBLIC WORKS of the other two standing Committees. The compoons "-we quote from the Colonial proper course would be, when any sum is Treasurer-who draw their salary from the asked for by the Government, for the Coun- public funds should be alone considered. If | question :- How many sittings of the Law Comcil to resolve itself into a Committee of a man is a harmless nincompoop not worth mittee have taken place since the Committee was supply or of ways and means, such Com- his salary he ought not to be allowed to formed in 1883? mittee being as open and public and as much receive it. The members of Council should The Acting Attorney-General Luanswer de facto the Council itself as the Council in remember that they have, as the Hon. P. Committee on Bills. The origin of the Finance Ryrie says, to deal with money which is mittee together on four occasions, which I would Committee was explained by the Hon. P. Ryme not their own, but which belongs to the pub- call four formal meetings; but besides these on a recent occasion. The unofficial members lie, and they ought not to allow that money there were several informal meetings held. At wished to meet together to consider the es- to be used for the support of incompetents. these meetings the Clerk of Councils was timates, in order, presumably, to agree upon But, looking at the matter even from the point not required to attend and did not attend, a joint course of action. The Government of view of the Civil Service, it is open to ques. and therefore no minutes or records of these intook objection to this proceeding, and the tion whether publicity would not be better. outcome of the discussion which ensued was When a number of gentlemen meet together

The questions are—(1) "How many sittings | together for the purpose of agreeing upon of the Heads of Department who has a seat | not called\_meetings. joint action on any question as have the in the Finance Committee he may be put | Hon. P. Ryrie-May I ask to see the records of Commons, where party meetings of the ment stopped without ever having the op-

Committee were held within a short time of Mr. MacEwen did not succeed in carrying its formation, and with regard to the Public his motion in the Legislative Council on Works Committee it has held few meet. Friday that all matters of public interest, lities for its growth and eroreise than present, because I was not. ings and certainly never presented any and more particularly the voting of public report. If neither committee ever meets funds, should be discussed openly in Council, of salaries, which is the only part of the Esagain the colony will be no loser, for they and not, as heretofore, at private meetings of are both utterly useless, each occupying the the Finance Committee. The officials opposition of a fifth wheel to a coach. The posed a solid phalanx to the assault and Law Committee of the Legislative Council carried with them the complacent Mr. Wong must not be confounded with the Commis- Shing. All the other unofficial members sion appointed to revise the Laws and voted in favour of publicity. But Mr. MAC Ordinances of Hongkong-abody from which | Ewen's efforts, not withstanding the adverse great things were expected but which dis- vote, have not been fruitless. They drew tinguished itself at the outset by presenting from more than one official an admission as its first effort a Bill for the harassment that more publicity is desirable, and an inof the Press, one of the most ridiculous dication of how this might be arrived measures ever passed by a Legislative body in lat even under the present system. The modern times. The Law Committee of the Chief Justice, for instance, says he bas al-Legislative Chuncil was appointed, not to ways thought there was something due to revise the existing Laws and Ordinances, the public and makes the very valuable. but to examine and report upon the Bills in- suggestion that when the report of the troduced in Council. What advantage it Finance Committee is brought up the Chair- whether Mr. Jackson would not have been was expected would be derived from submit- man should give an explanation of the reating the Bills to such a body we are not sons which have influenced the Committee aware, but it is certainly a fact that in in arriving at its decision. The Acting actual practice no benefit has been derived | Colonial Secretary remarked that the Comand the committee has ceased to exist except | mittee generally states its reasons in the in name. The few reports it presented to report itself. If Dr. Stewart looks back at the Council ran somewhat in this form- | the reports of the Committee he will find "The Law Committee recommend the fol- | that his impression is not altogether accurate lowing Bills." Now, it is for the Council as | in this respect; occasionally the report may a whole, not for a small committee, to pro- give in the very briefest possible form some nounce on the principle of the measures indication for the grounds of the Combrought before it. No individual member mittee's decision, but more frequently it of the Council could feel himself in the least simply gives the decision itself. In its rebound or assisted by the opinion of such a port on the question of whether the Loan committee. The Council cannot do better should be issued locally or in London the than follow the well-established practice of | Committee state that though there are many the Imperial Parliament with respect to the reasons against that course they nevertheless procedure on Bills; and in the Imperial unanimously assent to the proposal of the Parliament there is no committee analogous! Secretary of State that the Loan should be to the Law Committee of the Hongkong issued in London. It cannot be said that on Legislative Council. If Mr. MacEwen had that occasion the Committee gave their reaasked the Government to state the duties of sons; they simply state there are reasons the Law Committee, they would have against their decision and give none for it.

Council to refer any particular Bill to a apparently well merited ridicule. In future, tive Council was held on the 27th August. select committee, as was done for instance | no doubt, the suggestion of the Chief Justice | There were present :-with great advantage in the case of the will be acted upon. But the triumphs of the Religious Ceremonies and Festivals Ordin- publicity party are not altogether of a prowere able to point to what, from their The Public Works Committee is as use- descriptions, might be imagined to be an al-

of which are appointed at the begin- minute and an equally hald report do not

The resolution of which Mr. MacEwen of publicity to a certain extent. On the

the appointment of the Finance Committee— in private their discussions are apt to descend torney-General I have not called the committee that is, the whole of the official element was into mere gossip, the sense of responsibility together. Besides the Ordinances I introduced

of favouritism, though often unconscious Committee first of it—privacy affords much greater facitimates in respect of which anything can be the question of the Loan was a proper one able to express his opinions just as forcibly about the Law Committee.

in a public discussion as in a private one, even if he had thought it necessary to avoid the record disposable funds of Public Companies. Then we come to the Stamp Ordinance. Can any measure be conceived more fit for public discussion? What can there be bent it of a portunity of doing so, and about whom table as a reminder.

we had to make some very outspoken remarks." Comment on this is unnecessary, marks are quite correct. I always get a notice. The official case was hopelessly lost in argutake advantage of the precedure which was pointed out on Friday in order to secure such

His Excellency the Acting Governor Hon. W. H. MARSH, C.M.G., Hon. SIRGEORGE PHILLIPPO, Chief Justice. Hon. F. STEWART, Acting Colonial Secretary Hon. E.J. ACKROYD, Acting Attorney General Hon. A. LISTER, Colonial Treasurer.

Hon. J. M. PRICE, Surveyor-General. Hon. H. G. THOMSETT, Harbour Master. Hon. P. Ryrte. Hon. F. D. SASSOON.

Hon. Wong Shing. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN. Hon. J. BELL-IRVING.

The minutes of the last meeting: were read and confirmed.

THE ACTING GOVERNOR'S SPEECH. HIS EXCELLENCY—Hon. Members of the Legislative Council, when I closed this session on the 21st May last I announced to you that it would be probable I should have to call a special and for a totally different purpose. Since the close of the last session I have received instructions from the Sheretary of State to renew the French Mail Steamers Ordinance and also

new it without special instructions. These instructions arrived too late for me to introduce October, 1878, and extract from Secreticy of State's the Bill in the last Session, and as the Ordinance expires on the 1st September, I have been compelled to summon this meeting in order to I regret very much that I am not able to profit by Council, but they have taken more time' than expected in proparation, but I think they will be ready about the middle of next month Since our last meeting I have invited to this Board three new members, two of whom are to replace two unofficial members who are absent, and I have followed the example set by Sir George Bowen when the Registrar General was not filling his post in appointing the Harbour Master, I am sure all the members will join with me in offering a cordial welcome to our new colleagues, who

have not the slightest doubt will be of the greatest assistance to us. (Hear, hear).

The following papers were laid on the table:-Correspondence relating to the late Mr. F. H. Johnson, a member of the Council (which has already been published); the report of the Com-The officials recognise the desirability mission appointed to consider the question of insufficient accommodation in Victoria Gaol

COMMITTEE. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN asked the following

to that I have to state as follows-I have been formal meetings have been kept. It is impossible now to say how many of these informal meetings were held. Since I have been Acting At-

OPEN DISCUSSION IN THE COUNCIL | private meetings of the unofficial members. | would never be said if the speaker had the the principal measures introduced by me have It is possible some similar difficulty may consciousness that he was liable to be called been the Bills of Sales Ordinance, the Peacearise again, in which case we must look to to account in any way for his words. In Preservation Ordinance, the Spirits Ordinance, the unofficial members not to allow them—this way it is possible that the characters of opinion there was nothing in these ordinances solves to be a second time outflanked. The and prospects of individual members of the which required them to be discussed in the Law unofficial members of the Hongkong Legis- service may suffer. If a man has had the Committee before being considered in Comlative Council have as much right to meet misfortune to fall into the bad graces of one mitteeof the whole Council and therefore I have

> and who were not present? members are a recognised institution.—An- portunity of vindicating bimself. In the Law Committee, and if I remember rightly we Hon. F. D. Sassoon-I was a member of the same way, if there be such a thing as fa- mot in Mr. O'Malley's time very often, and in used for the fortifications. vouritism in the service-and there are few fact in 1884 and 1885 all the Bills brought formen who can divest themselves altogether ward in this Council were discussed by the Law Hon. P. Ryrie-I want to know who were

> > Hon. F. D. Sassoon—I don't think any record notices to the Law Committee.

there may be, and we question very much calling the Public Works Committee together.

name being noted in the others as absent. Hon. P. Ryrie—I never got any notice. lonial Treasurer, "if we had discussed it in Clerk was good enough to send on the morning public we would have barrowed the fearings of each meeting a small memorandum as a re-

of the less scrupulous of all disease who minder. That was sent to every member, and ceived by the members of the finance Common four or five despatches of on this important question, give their reasons: are in the habit of defrauding the Government be the least doubt it was mittee, and in due course the meeting you the Secretary of State with regard to and I believe they gave their reasons. Theresent to my hon friend opposite (Hon. P. Ryrie). recommanded should be held took place, when the finances of the Cology that there fore; as I have said, matters of public interernment whenever they have the bare it used to he on my another very important minute of your Ex- was the slightest reason for keeping private. est and the voting of public funds can be Hon. F. D. SASSOON-My hon. friend's re- reference to the part of that minute in which lie, and the whole of us, officials and unofficials, are tive Council whenever any member wishes it, Hon. P. Ryrie-I never got one. The only mittee of Public Works, we have heard this with money that is not ours, and we have got to and has worked well, and, as I have said, no ment but won in the voting. It will now be time I ever got a notice of the Law Committee evening that the work connected with these deal with it openly before the world. That has complaint has been brought against it. But

> THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. The following are extracts from the minutes 15th July, 1884.

> being held in private. After some discussion Mr. Mac Ewen proposes, and Mr. Ryrie seconds, the following resolution: --

That this meeting be adjourned until the ques-Finance Committee should be held with open doors. and that the Officer Administering the Government be requested to call a special meeting of the Legislative Conneil to decide the matter." The Committee decide." For.

Mr. MacEwen. The Surveyor General. Mr. Woog Shing. Mr. Sassoon. Mr. Ryrio. ] he Treasurer. Motion carried by 5 to 1.

The Committee then adjourn sine die. 20th July, 1886.

tering the overment: W. H. MARSH. tion whether the practice of many years past is to be now suddenly changed. I wish that question to be considered at a fall meeting of the Finance

proposition mate by the Honourable A. P. Mac Ewen The Minutes of the last Meeting, held on the lath instant, are read and confirmed. -Read the following Despatches in connection with the first formation in this Colony of the Finance

C. O. Despatch, No. 5, of 8th January, 1870. Despatch, No. 12 of 8th May, 1879.

the Officer Administering the Government:

W. H. MARSH. that its meetings should be held with open doors, has mistaken the object of the Finance Committee. 2.—The object of the Finance Committee, as also and meetings are never held with open doors. differs from that of Hongkong, and I have long thought: that the Mauritus practice might be introduced here. on the motion for their adoption, any Member may seen done in Manritius.

Committee meetings should not be public is that the Government would be wholly precluded in that case from communicating information of a confidential nature. As a rule, most of the Secretary of State's Despatches containing instructions can be communi-5.—Sir John Pope Honnessy informed the Council in 1878 that he was considering whether or not. ings of the Finance Committee, but the Secretary of State, to whom he referred the question, thought it undesirable that the practice of the Finance Com. mittee should be altered.

7.—If the public are to be admitted to meetings of 8.-I cannot help thinking that the Honour ble Member who proposed this rescintion must have portant and more conclusive than they really are. 0.-I assure Honourable Members that it is my wish that the fullest information should be given by Government House, Hunghong, 17th July, 1888. Considerable discussion ensure, when the Acting imported into what were intended to be the is destroyed, and things are said which had passed the Law Revision Committee, the following resolution :-

withdraw the resolution of the lath instant, and resolve that the Meetings of the Committee be carried mosting of the Legislative Council."

Carried unanimously.
(2.)—Read a Confidential Report by the Commanding Royal Engineer (Col. Walker, R.E.) on the progress of the Defence Works. Road also the Desputch from the War Office to the ments for the Hongkong Forts, and shewing the nam. ber of Breech-loading and Muzzle-loading guns to be

more particularly the voting of public funds, be presume the loan would have extended over make public. On that ground the present sys. was kept, but Mr. O'Malley used to send out discussed openly in Council, and not, as herete- twenty or thirty years, and there would have turn has many advantages over the one proposed. notices to the Law Committee.

fore, at private meetings of the Finance Combeen no difficulty whatever, at 41 per cent., But it is said in the resolution—"That in future Hon. A. P. MACEWES asked:—How many mittee." It will be necessary I should briefly in raising the loan locally. I hope. Sir. all matters of public interest, and more partisaid for privacy. Let us now notice one or sittings of the Public Works Committee have allude to what has taken place at the recent anything I may have said this evening outlarly the voting of public funds, be discussed two other matters. The Chief Justice thinks taken place since the Committee was formed in meetings of the Figures Committee, because will not be considered as antagonistic to openly in Council, and not, as beretofore, at prithere is every possibility of this resolution being yourself as Head of the Executive or to the Go- rate meetings of the Finance Committee." It to be considered in private. We cannot see The Sunveyor-General The Public put to the vote this evening, and there are cor- vernment generally. As long as I have the cannot be said that publicity does not exist at

Committee. I was not sorry I had done marks I beg to move the resolution. HIS EXCELLENCY asked the Clerk if he had it as my name appeared first in the list, and Hon. P. RYRIE-Your Excellency. I would the vote he did in the Finance Committee. hon, members, more particularly the official have much preferred that the resolution which do not think it is right, therefore, to say mentioning names or a few details as to the The Clurk read the names of these present members, would see the live of argument. I we passed at the Finance Committee should have that publicity does not exist. Matters which are

hundred departmental despatches received from support me. I second this one. the Colonial Office should be published for the

probably the argument of the Government will to the community. practice of the Finance Committee when any Finance Committee, and I do not think there. Committee without its occurring to any hon mom-

estimates; and, if carried, I will forward it to the fluence at work somewhere which has thrown sus- which are mentioned and discussed in Finance that a local lean would be preferable, but the picion on the Government and stopped progress Committee which we would not be able to discuss points in discussion had been reduced to so the Finance Committee, the raison d'etre of such in the colony. Now, sir, I would venture on two in public. Again, the Government is able to lay small a margin that they were no longer worth committees sooms to me to disappear, and all votes | illustrations of what is regarded as unsatisfactory, | before the Finance Committee for more informatighting for. And with regard to that discusfor money might as well be discussed in Council, I would take the subject of the votes for the tion than it would be if the discussion were sion I must say there was a good deal that could without the preliminary examination of details, fortifications. On the first vote of £55,000, I public. which has hithorto proved so convenient both in this believe there was a certain amount of discussion. Hon. P. Ryrie,—I rise to order. On financial would only refer to one other matter, and that is but upon the Colonial Office, asking for the fur- questions no information should be withheld of the discussion on the Stamp Ordinance. Consither large sum of £60,000 the public had no in- any kind. been under the impression, at the time, that the formation furnished to it at all, and I have it on The Acring Arronney-General It has babit of evading the Stamp Ordinance. functions of the Finance Committee were more im. the authority of my hon. friend the senior un- just been stated, that a dispatch on financial do not refer to people of any particular official member, that when the vote was taken in matters may not be confidential, but there may insticuality, but there is a disposition to Figures Committee he voted for it under certain be confidential reasons given for moving a evade the Stamp Ordinance which runs more the Covernment in all matters connected with the conditions were he has vote. It cannot be said therefore, that it is or less through the less scrapulous of expenditure of public moneys, and that I shall at all never told me, but I do know this, that he was to a simply a question of figures, and that it is not all classes. Now, when we discussed the times be peady to entertain any suggestions that certain extent pressed into voting. He was request—confidential. But financial matters are not the Stamp Ordinance we had to make some very plain

"That this Committee, having heard rand cort in | munity has been discussing. That matter was | discussion on the Stamp Ordinance lasted several Despatches and the explanations of the Chairman, settled, and I can only describe the minute days, and in the case of the Loan we had also circulated at the time as about the most feeble one or two discussions. Everything that could on as heretofore, until the question of admitting the and weak that I think ever emanated from a be urged was urged, and on a great many public to the meetings be con idered at the first public body of men. This minute is as follows: - points the opinions of the unofficial members The Committee, although still thinking that prevailed. With respect to the fortifications we for many reasons it would be preferable to raise [had every detail given to us-the size of the guns, the money locally, especially as there is now read the situation of the batteries, and everything. son to believe that funds could be obtained here

at 41 per cent, thus avoiding all risk of less on members of the various parties in the House down as a nincompoop and have his advance- of these four meetings, and who were present Colonial Office, dated the 19th September, 18 5, which Exchange, nevertheless unanimously assent to fidential, and it was after the Committee had rehad been previously circulated and perused by the the proposal of the Secretary of State that the coived every possible information that the deciMembers, giving a detailed description of the Arma. Loon should be issued in Liondon, provided that sion was come to. Therefore I think that more Loan should be issued in London, provided that sion was come to. Therefore I think that more a 4 per cent. Loan can be issued not below par." information can begiven in committee and muts Now, Sir, I maintain that if they were of opinion | ters oan be more thoroughly disoussed than if The Committee then adjourn to Thursday, the 22nd for various reasons—reasons I have never heard we had reporters here. Not that the Government, at 4 p.m., for the despatch of regular business, stated—that the lean should be raised locally, ment has anything to hide, anything to be Hon. A. P. MACEWEN-Sir, I rise to propose why on earth did they not stick to that P Most ashamed of in what it does, but there are many the resolution which stands in my name—"That decidedly it would have been a great interest things that cannot be made public departmental in future all matters of public interest, and to investors in China and the East generally. I matters that it is not advisable or necessary to

> why, more especially when we remember that Works Committee, sir, has met five times, and in thin members present who have been lately honour to sit in this Council my services are just present, or that a vote can be suntched or passed connection with this question it ought perhaps to elected or who were absent from the Colony at as much at the disposal of the Government as of through the Legislative Council without the the suggestion that the Loan could be more connection with this question it ought perhaps to the time these meetings were held. Some few the public. I am and always have been a firm public having every opportunity of expressing safely placed locally than in London came gentleman, that the whole of the members of the weeks ago papers were sent round to the Finance believer in full and free discussions on all matters their opinion on the subject. The matter is rein the first instance from the Press and not Public Works Committee are members also of Committee suggesting a vote for a large sum of of public interest, and I think the "keep things ferred to the Finance Committee to inquire and from the Committee. But the Chief Justice the Finance Committee, and also that all quest money to be applied to a certain purpose in this dark" policy in a colony like this, where the report upon. The Committee threshes out the says Mr. Jackson said some things about tions connected with projects of public works, Colony. I carefully read these papers and duties of the Government are to a great extent subject, and calls for any evidence it may think the Loan in private which he would not have involving the expenditure of money, are almost I came to the conclusion it was a matter of a municipal nature, is a mistake. What I say processary. Now, when this has been done in the said in public. It may be so, but we hold always so carefully inquired into and threshed that should be discussed in public. I wrote is this, if you wish things to run smoothly, if you Finance Committee, and when the report is laid that the advantages of public discussion out. out in the Finance Committee that really the accordingly, expressing this opinion. I re- wish to do away with the element of discord and before the Legislative Conneil, there is nothing weigh a hundred times any disadvantage larger Committee leaves very little for the coived a very courtoous intimation from discontent that have been rampant in the Colony whatever to prevent any member who has dissentsmaller one to do. Hence the few occasions for the Colonial Secretary that there was no for years past take the public more into your ed from the report of the Finance Committee to occasion for discussing the matter in public, confidence, let the light of day in upon yourselves, lask that the report be amended, or to move that Hon. P. RYRIE-I would be glad to know as it would be discussed in the Finance and you will go far to allay it. With these re- it be rejected, or, if he wishes to do so, to give in

> > at the various meetings, from which it appeared was likely to take. In due course that Com- been brought forward to-day, viz .- "That the discussed there may be discussed openly in Counthat Mr. Ryric was present at one meeting, his mittee was called, and you will see that I pro- Finance Committee should sit with open doors." cil now, whenever any hon, member deems it tested, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce My hon friend opposite has adopted the alter- necessary or advisable, and I think the hon. Mr.

or any other that may be made in lieu thereof.

Government House, Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

against that I would say that it has been the will be nothing less than the abolition of the tional importance were referred to the Finance

borrowed as far back as 1872 by Hongkong, the my argument, we have heard it stated fre- my bon friend on my right (Hon. P. Ryrie) will point out that a great deal of it was consystem has worked admirably for over thirty years, quently in this Colony upon the best legal bear similar testimony that in Finance Com- fidential and could have been discussed in no authority, namely, the Attorney General and the mittee we have obtained all the information we other way. I am referring to a meeting we had 3.—Inoue point, however, the practice in Mauritius learned Queen's Counsel who is at present asked for, and have freely and fully discussed the here when Colonel Walker explained at great absent, that these secret meetings of the Finance matters brought before us. Some mention has length the nature of the fortifications. That The draft minutes of the Finance Committee are unconstitutional and against the been made of coercion, or quasi-coercion, in connect meeting was an intellectual treat to every memthere either circulated for revision by the different | Charter and Instructions of the Colony; and that | tion with the fortifications, but as far as my memory | ber who was present. I myself have seldem onmembers, or, in important cases, are revised at a has never been contradicted. I endeavoured to serves me, everyone came round to the views ex- joyed anything more than listening to that exspecial meeting held for the purpose. The minutes get from the legal members present at the meet- pressed by Mr. Keswick and Mr. Jackson. There planation by a gentleman who understood his

get nothing definite out of them. I have been the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce, bore porters been present Colonel Walker's month 4.—One very important reason why the Finance told upon what may be considered good official similar testimony. Therefore I ask, what are would have been shut and we should not have authority that one reason why these meetings the reasons on which we are asked to make a heard anything of that information which we are held in private and matters of interest are change in our mode of conducting business? I listened to for two or three hours. Then annot discussed in public is, that if they were, it am sure if my hon. friend opposite (Hon. A. P. other thing. Great stress has been laid on the would give certain members of this Council an MacEwen) had waited some time he would have practice of the House of Commons. Now, in cated, when necessary, confidentially to the Finance opportunity of talking to the press. Now, I state, obtained a better insight into the working of the the somewhat meavre discussions which take Committee: though the Governor cannot publish them by laying them before a meeting when reported the only peg the Government has to hang its argue.

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The only peg the Government has to hang its argue. ment on, it is a rotten one and ought to be given gard to publicity, I think every possible publi- Officers, or Excisemen, or perhaps Postmasters. up. I don believe the Secretary of State would city is given. Nothing is referred to the and if these are spoken of as villains the lash falls should allow reporters to be present at future meet permit such an idea to prevail. I have also been Finance Committee except what goes through very lightly on the individual; he has always told that in this I am merely advocating the the Legislative Council. There is generally a the pleasure of thinking he is an exception to views of the press and of two or three agitators minute of the Governor read first, stating the the general rule; but here the class consists perin this Colony. Well now, with regard to the wants, and there is a motion that it be referred haps of one man, and if I were to take up the time 6.—It must be ovident to Henographe Members that, agitators I would say this, if the Government is to the Finance Committee; and on that motion of the Council I could refer to many cases where if Sir John Pope Hennessy did not feel justified in under the impression that the discontent and it is open to any hon, member to move that in remarks have been made with regard to indivimaking the innovation which he recommended, with dissatisfaction which have prevailed for many years stead of its being so referred, it should be dissatisfaction which have prevailed for many years stead of its being so referred, it should be dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons, it dissatisfaction which have been most cruel to those past is confined to two or three persons. sibility, especially when the Secretary of State did | plays great want of information, because it has has been referred to the Finance Committee, ing in the newspapers. It may be very well not approve of the recommendation of Sir John Pope | been universal for many years past. I can well and there the matter is thoroughly discussed to say a thousand men are not worth the salary Honnossy. There is, therefore, no advantage to be understand that in a colony like this, where every and thrashed out. Our meetings are certainly, they are drawing, but it is a different thing to gained by convening a special meeting of the Legisla little matter of expenditure has to be referred more free, and the matters are discussed more say that one man, whose sole offence is that he tive Council, since the resolution, if passed, must be to the Colonial Office for confirmation, there completely than if we met in public. There are is a harmless nincompoop, is not worth his sal-Honourable Members still think it desirable, at the always would be a certain amount of dissatisfact some hon, members who are good financiers, but ary. Then my hon, friend has made a great next meeting of Council, which must be held in the tion, but that it has been so general proves there have some difficulty in stating in public their opi. deal of the vote about the Loan, but that simply carly part of September, if not before, to discuss the is a screw loose somewhere, and there is an in- nions; and there are personal questions very often amounted to this, we did think, and do think,

His Excellency—And that was confidential The Acting Afterney General-Yes, con-

and of the public, against the meetings of that native; and rather than there should be any Keswick and the Hon. Mr. Jackson gave their The COLONIAL TREASUREE -I beg to state committee being held in private, and the resolution of the fortiprivate nature? But, in effect size the Co. that I was a member of that Committee and the from I proposed, which has been read, was carried the proposition. I have been twenty years a member of that I was a member of that Committee and the stien I proposed, which has been read, was carried the proposed that I was a member of that I was a member of that Committee and the stien I proposed, which has been read, was carried the proposition. I have been twenty years a member of that I was a member of that Committee and the stien I proposed, which has been read, was carried the proposed. by a majority of five to one. On the follow- ber of this Connoil, and during these twenty the matter had been fully considered in the ing day your Excellency's minute was re- years I do not suppose I have come across FinanceCommittee, yet they thought they should. cellency's was also read and discussed. With The money of the public is the money of the public and before the Legislayou allude to the Law Committee and the Com- the servants of the public. We have got to deal This system has worked for many years. I believe, for the unofficial members of the Council to was from Mr. O'Malley in the Club. Two or two Committees has not been very important, always been my opinion, and I hold to it. I am it is said now that there is a desire on the part three of us met, and we said "Suppose we are a Myhon. friend the Surveyor-General admits that very sorry that this resolution, if it is carried. of the public that these matters, should be meeting of the Law Committee," and he said it during two years there have been only will do away with the Finance Committee. I am male more public. Well, the present system five meetings of the Public Works Committee. sorry because at certain periods of the year it is ensures the public all the information it can re-Now, with great respect to your Excellency I a convenience to the Government. For instance, quire, and as lately as 1884 these rules were unsubmit with reference to your allusion to the you will have to call meetings of the whole animously passed by this Council. I have not

Board Committees for a bank or public Company Council during the recess should any demands | heard any sufficient reason given why we should that there can be no analogy between the work. for money arise. I will certainly back up my change the system, and I therefore bag, sir, to ing of a bank, or public company and the Gov. hon, friend in what he said with regard to the move the following amendment—"That as it is Mr. MacEwon addresses the Committee and protests ernment of a Colony such as this. I really do Finance Committee and board Committee of a now competent for any member of Council, when not see any use in my arguing the matter, be bank. The functions of a Finance Committee a motion to refer a matter to the Finance Comcause I think it must be patent to every one, are in no way the same as those of a mittee is made, to move that it be discussed in With reference to your Excellency's remarks with board committee of a bank or public company. Council, it is unnecessary to interfere with the respect to Mauritius, I venture to say that what Those who suggested such an idea must have present practice of Council, which has been in may be applicable to a colony like Mauritius is known nothing about banks or public companies. existence for many years, and which was nunot necessarily applicable to a colony like Hong. I see no reason why discussions on votes of pub- animously approved by the Council in 1884." kong. In fact I have been a close observer of lie maney should not take place in public. If The Colonial Treasurer-I beg to second Governors and officials, and I have invariably any persons make facetious remarks and they are the amendment of the Acting Attorney General, found that instead of endeayouring to get reported they need not be afraid of having them and I would desire to say in doing so that I votat the disease locally they invariably refer reported, and if they are they need ed for the motion of my hon, friend on my left to their experiences in other colonies. Now, not make them; but if they want to talk (Hon. A. P. MacEwen) when he brought your Excellency alludes to the confidential good solid business they need not be it forward in Finance Committee simply

nature of the Secretary of State's despatches. I afraid to have good solid business, reported, wishing that this subject should be venmust say I cannot see that in a matter of finance Therefore, although I would have preferred filated, that no desire should be shown in there can be anything of a confidential nature, another one. I will accept this resolution as a a somewhat thin meeting to stifle the question, In fact I should be inclined to go further and pis-aller. Rather than move the other one, in and with a view of bringing the matter to a say that in my opinion ninety-nine out of a which I am afraid the official members would not head. As Treasurer of the colony I have always been opposed to any change being made in the Hon. F. D. Sassoon-Your Excellency, al. present practice with regard to the Finance general public and that this might be done with though I admit discussions can be carried Committee. It seems to me our unofficial friends out disclosing any very great secrets. Your Excelon perhaps more freely and in a some-might well accept the compromise which is put lency says I must have been under the impression what less formal manner at the meetings before them, or rather the compromise of which Before bringing before the Executive Council the at the I time made the resolution that the func. of the Finance Committee and without the pre- they are reminded—for it is an existing arrangeresolution proposed yesterday by the Finance Com- tions of the Finance Committee were more im. sence of reporters than would be the case should ment and not anything new—in the amountment portant than they really are. Well, I am free these gentlemen be admitted in future, still, of my hon, friend opposite. It is possible to confess I in common with the public generally sir, holding as I do the right of the community for any member who wishes the discussion certainly did consider these meetings of the Fin. to know what takes place, as well as the right of should not take place in Finance Committee ance Committee were of the greatest importance, the press to criticise the views of the members but in Conneil, when the Colonial Secrefrom expressing the views of the majority of the Every matter of public interest which involves of the Finance Committee. I strongly recom- tary proposes that the matter be referred Members. I request the Finance Committee there- the expenditure of money has invariably been mend that in future the Press be represented. to the Finance Committee, to move as an settled at these meetings. I am aware that This step, I am sure, will give great satisfaction amendment that the matter be discussed in open Council, and I do not suppose that in any case be that before anything is actually passed it has The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL—The pre- such an amendment would be opposed. It is per-

sum of money was voted to spend that money if has been any sufficient reason given for that. It bor to take this course. And I must remind my necessary there and then; and upon my putting has not been asserted that information has mofficial friends that Government officers after the question to the President of the Finance ever been withheld, or discussion interfered with, all-expased to suspicion though they be, as Mr. Committee—" Supposing a vote carried against or that the official majority has ever been used to MacEwen has said—are pretty much like other Governor's Despatch, No. 63, of let August, 1822. you in the Council and the money already spent, silence or in any way to coerce the unofficial people; when they find an easy way of doing who would be responsible?". He replied The minority. At the last discussion in the Finance things they will go on in that way; if others Governor would be held personally responsible." Committee the Hon. W. Keswick was here, and wish trouble to be taken they must at least take If that is not unconstitutional I do not know he bore testimony to the usefulness of the Fin- the trouble themselves of suggesting the course Read also the following Minute by His Excellency what is. I would put it to your Excellency practicates. He was able to state that he which they wish to be adopted. If your neighcally, in the event of if vote having been passed had invariably obtained every information he bour has found some easy way of conducting his by the Finance Committee on the subject referred could desire, that discussion and argument had business which is an annovance to you, and you I thing that the Honourable Member who made to the other day, and the vote going against been as free as possible, and the only thing won't take the trouble to tell him you can hardly you this evening, \$20,000 or \$30,000 having he complained of was this-that after very expect him to desist. Well, the Finance Combeen already spent, which might easily be the case. full discussion in the Finance Committee mittee has been found so convenient that it would you consider yourself personally responsible? the members were not disposed to discuss the would not have occurred to the Government to of the Committees of Laws and of Public Works, is as | Well, a full discussion took place when the ab | matter in Council, or state their opinion. Not | take any steps to interfere with the ordinary stated in the opening Speech of Sir George Bowen, on sent members were present, and I am bound to that they had any objection to their opinions procedure in respect of these votes, but it is say the result was pretty much the same as being published, but it was more out of a wish perhaps a pity it did not occur to the unofficial stance, the details of every proposed vote and mea- say the result was preaty much the same as owing much valuable before. My hon, friend Mr. Keswick before he not to take up the Council, and the members to take another course, and that these time in Connectificationse Committees were appointed left the Colony stated fully he was in favour of only recommendation or amendment he would matters were discussed in a way which, though here, as in other Cro'n Colonies. They perform matters being discussed in public, and also votes propose or suggest was that it should be left to eminently satisfactory to those admitted to the preci-ely the same functions that Board Committees for large sums of money, but he also stated that one or two members to move that the matter, in discussion, may have been unsatisfactory to those do for Banks and Public Companies, and are, as far he would be sorry to see the Finance Committee stead of being referred to the Committee, should who were not present and did not know what Mauritius, from which Colony the practice was first wholly done away with. Now, sir, to point be taken in the Legislative Council. I think was going on. At the same time I may

ing of the Finance Committee some expression of was certainly no coercion, and the committee subject so thoroughly and explained it with such discuss them, and they may be rejected; as I have opinion, but beyond vague generalities I could was unanimous. I think Mr. Jackson, at one of Jucidity as Colonel Walker did. But had re-

not conveniently have been made public. derable classes of this community are in the

are of andoubted advantage, and that I feel that I ed to let the Secretary of Statesee that the Council only questions; very often they involve the con- and outspoken remarks about these people who were unanimous on the point. Well I am bound duct of a public officer. Now, in proof of the dis-to say that looks to me very much like coercion. oussions that have taken place. I may refer to whenever they have the opportunity of doing so. Attorney Coneral proposes, and Mr. Mackwest seconds, L would take another subject, that of the Loan. | the long discussions on the Stamp Ordinance, the | and I do not hesitate to say a great deal of what That is a very inportant matter, which the com- Loan Ordinance, and the Fortifications. The was said on that occasion would necessarily have

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The French steamer Saltes, from Haiphong September will be subject to rent. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES January and beginning of July. THE following are present Prices for this 29th August, reports had bad weather in Ton-No Fire Insurance has been effected. MACAO. MARITIMES. Bleton, negociant. 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Coal, delivered Ex our COAL YARD at Haiphong, le 27 Juillet, 1886, quin Gulf, honvy squalls and fine weather in Bills of Lading will be Countersigned by Our First Quality Goods are packed and PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. Bank if marked On Hunggong Savings Bank JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Chefoo. Le Chancelier, examined with great care for Export. Business is forwarded free by the various No. 5 Seam Lump....... Ch. Tis. 4.80. ADAMOLLE. THE Company's Steamer Hongkong, 30th August, 1886. formerly sold through Chinese Brokers, because British Post Offices in Hongkong and China. The British steamer Kong Beng, from Bang. No. 5 Seam Small...... Ch. Tls. 8.50. none of our employes could speak English. We kok 25th August, reports had moderate W.S.W NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. 7.-Withdrawals may be made on demand, LEGAL NOTICE. Forty (40) Tael Cents per ton extra for Boat "YANGTSE." but the personal attendance of the Depositor or winds and fine weather to Pulo Obi: thence to have now engaged the services of an English and Coolie hire if delivered on board vessels in Captain Lormier, will be despatched for FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND FRENCH RESIDENCY, HAIPHONG. port variable winds and fine weather. speaking Chinaman. Several Firms have bought his duly appointed Agent, and the production of SHANGHAI. the Harbour. our Goods and are all very pleased with them. SINGAPORE. shortly after her arrival with the French Mail his Pass-Book are necessary. E. SHUN & Co., TRIBUNAL OF COMMERCE. The German steamer Oder, from Shangha We shall be glad to fulfil any orders. For the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-THE Steamship 29th August, reports fine weather; the last night Chinese Engineering & Mining Co BY Judgment of the 27th day of July, 1886, the Tribunal has adjudged Bankrupt G. DE CHAMPEAUX, ING CORPORATION, Apply to foggy. On the 30th alt. spoke the str. Stettin, LUEN CHONG TONG. "ARRATOON APCAR," JOHN WALTER, Chefoo, 15th August, 1886. Agent. in lat. 25.5 N., long. 120.5 E., from Japan for having arrived from the above Ports, Con-53. Bonham Strand. Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, 2nd September, 1886. the Firm of O. FELSENBERG AND Co, Mer-[6] signess of Cargo are hereby requested to send in Hongkong. Hongkong, 30th August, 1886. Hongkong, 8th May, 1885. NOTICE chants, of Haiphong, composed of Messrs. their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for OCTAVE and MARCEL FELSENBERG, who have countersignature and to take immediate delivery TOTICE is hereby given that Messra. The British stenmer Pathan, from Australia, NOTICE. reports left Sydney on the 6th August, proceeded. HEIDSIECK & Co., of Reims, in the absconded; has fixed provisionally from this day COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES of their Goods from alongside. NOTICE. landed and stored at Consignees risk and exrequirements of Ordinances 16 of 1873 and 8 of
Judge-Commissaire, M. Dervost, apothecary,
pense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected. to Cambridge Gulf with 300 diggers for gold-NOTICE is hereby given to the OWNERS MARITIMES. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK fields and 90 horses, arriving on 19th August. OF SANDAKAN TOWN GRANTS PAQUEBOTS FOSTE FRANCAIS. Left on the 23rd and proceeded through the Nos. 8, 14, 19, 23, and 42 whose Rents are in COMPANY, LIMITED. pense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected. eastern passage to China. 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"TANAIS," arrival in this Herbour, none of the Company's beentertained after the 31st instant. all Casks and Cases of Wines manufactured by 27th August, Amoy 28th, and Swatow 31st, re- the Land will, in terms of the Lease, revert to Captain Paul, will be despatched for DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Foremen should be at hand, orders for repairs if LOONG, the said Herosreck & Co., and that the same KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, ports had light variable winds and fine weather Government. sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Prays CANTON, CHINA. JOHN ROBERTSON. shortly after the arrival of the Mail steamer have been duly Registered Hongkong, 27th August, 1886. throughout. In Foochow German men-of-war Central, will receive prompt attention. Further it is hereby notified that Messrs. Acting Commissioner of Lands. In the event of complaints being found from Europe. Bismarck and Carola, and str. Bengloe. In Amoy CARLOWITZ & Co. are the Solo Agents of Messrs. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, TRADE A BOAT MARK. FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, Land Office. necessary, communication with the Undersigned str. Swatow. In Swatow stre. Leesang, Chin-HEIDSTECK & COMPANY, in Hongkong, China, Sandakan, 4th August, 1886. PENANG, AND SINGAPORE. is requested, when immediate steps will be taken tung, Memling, Vortigern, Loire Inferieure, Fal-Japan, Manila, Siam, the Straits Settlements, Hongkong, 2nd September, 1886. PRESERVED GINGER CHOW CHOW British North Borneo. to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction: kenburg, and Pochili. THE Steamship and Java, for the sale of all Wines manufactured FRUITS AND SOY D. GILDIES. LIST OF ARREARS. OF THE CHOICEST QUALITY. THE HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB. "ANJER HEAD," by them. Secretary. FOR SALE. Hongkong, 7th August, 1886. The very Finest Sugar is employed in the [35] Captain Macey, having arrived from the above Hongkong, 26th August, 1885. Grant No. 8, CHONG SING CHAL...\$54. WOTTON & DEACON, THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR MEM. 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LIMITED

THE Ordinance giving the status of men-of-Legislative Council, runs as follows: -" The | before Mr. Mitchell-Innes to-day. steam packets of the North German Lloyds subsidised by the Imperial German Governconsidered and treated as vessels of wir, and shall be entitled to all the rights, privileges, special duties, or be liable to seizure or detention by order of any Court or Judge." Another clause saves the rights of the Crown, and the third and last clause provides for the expiry of the Ordinance on the 1st September, 1887. The Hon. P. Ryric strongly opposed the passing of the Bill without some addition specifying conditions; but without effect, no one seconding his would seem that the chiefs think that if recognisamendment or speaking in support of it. od by the Paramount Authority the power of the The conditions the hon, gentleman wished to chiefs themselves, which is used only for evil, have ins at in the Bill were those set out in Lord Roseberr's despatch to the German Ambassador, namely, that the Imperial Consular Officers and the Commanders of the North German Lloyds' steamers and categorically arranged and explained" the Agents of the Company in all British | edition has been revised by Mr. G. M. H. Playnorts of call are to give all necessary facilities to the local authorities in relation including a review of the original edition. to Customs regulations and to judicial process, and not to claim to exercise the privilege in question to the detriment of public justice or of private rights. We think Mr. Rynne was justified in claiming pei Fu (Bangka) as the present temporary sout | Tsong to summary decapitation, and his two acthe insertion of these conditions in the of Government; and the institution at Peking | complices to strangulation. Bill, for, as he pertinently asked, what is the use of passing a Bill giving the ves- elegantly bound. sels the status of men-of-war when what is intended to be given is something very difforent? Practically no difficulty is likely to placed on record in the despatch of Lord was not differently framced. The ground on privilege is stated as follows in Count Brswill receive a certain subsidy from the Intperial German Government. Besides, the steamers are bound to transport, free of cost, criminals from abroad to Germany. when the steamer touches at a British Coof law and preventing the prompt delivery of simply to avoid detention of the steamers by criminals on board appealing to the local courts. An Ordinance providing for this would have been a sensible piece of legisla- his injuries are not serious. tion, which might without discussion have been extended to any mail steamers for Government. There is no other object to sanddollars were set down in the Rue du Chanvre, street on the 31st ult. be secured by giving them the status of hiep, the Viceroy of Tonquin. The money was was fined \$3, and in default sent to gaol for a men-of-war, because it is not to be supposed there is any wish or intention to evade just to tender it to the Annamite Government and claims, and in Admiralty cases detention of a vessel can always obviated by giving bonds. Lord Rosenger savs :- "From the time when the French to run to India and China difficulties have

justice and to deprive in certain cases private voluminous correspondence has taken place affair, simply acknowledging that a numbetween the British and French Goveroments arising out of the conflicts which | to Hué to make the same tender to the Annamite have occurred at Hongkong, Singapore, and Ceylon between the judicial authorities and the Messageries Maritimes. Indeed Her Majesty's Government would have been com. Chanffour has formally stated that he intended pelled to determine the Postal Convention with France by notice under Art. XXXVII. He was pleased even to say that he had been were it not that the more recent instructions which appear to have been given to the Commanders of the French Postal steamers the French Government.

constantly arisen in the application of Art.

V. of the French Convention by reason

-of the Commanders of the steamers of

that Company insisting with the support

leges conferred by it in their strictest sense

have prevented a renewal of the complaints: of the Colonial Governments." In legislating for the mail steamers of sucther country, Messrs. Man Yuen Loong, have not heard of her and where there was no convention binding the Government, it would have been obviously more sensible to give exactly what is wanted and what we are prepared to concede than to give a general privilege on a more or less loose understanding that it is not to be availed of to its full extent. This would have to all parties instead of trusting wholly to the complaisance of the French Government or officials that no difficulty shall arise.

The German frigate Bismarch and corvette Carola were in Foschow on the 27th ultimo. The British steamer Pathan, which arrived here yesterday from Sydney, took 300 diggers and 90 horses to the Cambridge Gulf, arriving there on the 19th August.

The British North Borneo Herald learns from Labuan that the Cantonese Timber Company of that Colony have received favourable reports as CINERARIA to the abundance of Billian timber at Bakow and Batu Batu, and intend to work it.

Our readers are reminded that M. Remenyi's first farewell concert will take place at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, to night. An attractive programms has been drawn up and His Excellency the Acting Governor has signified his intention of being present. M. Remenyi will The mails transmitted to Singapore by the play some of his most charming pieces,

News continues to be received (says a Canton correspondent of the Daily News) of disturbances | ordinary letters were substituted from the Lain Kwangtung, and General Tong's severe re- buan bag, which had also been opened. The disturbances to spread into a rebellion.

Yesterday morning Mr. H. Fournier, storekeeper. Queen's road, charged his shroff, Un Ahung, with embezzing money, the property of his employer, to the amount of about \$300. Mr. Fournier had previously condoned some small irregularities he had discovered, but some larger war to the steamers of the North German cases of fraud coming to light, he determined to tain Gray, the master of that vessel, from whom Lloyds, passed at the last meeting of the prosecute the man, whom he accordingly caused to he arrested. The case will come up for hearing Singapore without comment. Moreover, the

The Northern Territory Times says:—"The steam-launch Zulicka is now laid up while ment to carry mails to and from this Colony, her boiler has been sent to Hongkong for shall, when in the ports of this Colony, he repairs. There is a splendid opening for a oundry and engineering establishment at Port Darwin; what with repairs to launches and nining machinery, such a business could not and immunities of vessels of war, and shall fail to prove a success. Coal could be landed by sailing vessels at low freights and the advantage not for any cause be diverted from their of work being done on the spot would be im-

> The news from Sulu, says the British North Barneo Herald, is not satisfactory, and it seems quite probable that the young Sultan Ameral Keram will not be confirmed as Sultan by the Spaniards, as though perfectly willing himself, he is prevented by his chiefs from proceeding to Manila to receive his institution at the hands of the Captain General, which the Spanish Gov-Grament made a condition of his recognition. It Sultan would be increased while that of the would be diminished.

> We have to acknowledge receipt from the publishers (Mesers, Kelly & Walsh, Limited) of a new edition of that useful work Mavers's "Chinese Government: a Manual of Chinese Titles. fair, H. B. M.'s Acting Vice-Consul, Shanghai, who has made some valuable additions to it, Playfair has also added an index to the Chinese titles, arranged alphabetically, which will prove a readier means of reference than the original Radical Index. The changes made down to June, 1886, are all given, which include the formation of Formosa into a province, with Taiof the Hai Pu, or Board of Admiralty. The volume is well printed and serviceably if not

A somewhat peculiar case of conjugal jealousy came before the Police Court vesterday. A man named Lau Akwan was brought before Mr. arise because the conditions have already been | Mackean charged with having attempted to strangle his wife. Ling Asa, on the 31st alt. Revolution than those received here:-The woman alleged that her husband was away Rosebery, and any attempt to ignore them from home about a month, and when he returned would entail the non-renewal of the Ordin- on the 25th ult. he accused her of infidelity ance on its expiry, the intention being that and beat her. During Tuesday night he his rights to the crown, and to be deposed, by got out of bed. took his girdle, and tried to Caravelloff President of the Council of Ministers. it shall be renewed from year to year. None strangle her with it. She raised an outcry, and the less is it to be regretted that the Bill brought the neighbours to her assistance, when her husband was given into custody. The man informed the Police that his wife had been unfaithwhich the German Government asked for the ful to him in his absence, but the reasons he gave for coming to that conclusion were by no means satisfactory. His wife expressed an MARCE'S memorandum :- "The steamers opinion that he was suffering from some mental will carry the official mail, for which they derangement, and his Worship remanded the case for a week, directing that in the meantime the defendant should be placed under the observation of the Colonial Surgeon.

An accident of a remarkable character occurred at the godowns attached to the Hongkong As according to British Law such criminals, Dispensary yesterday evening. A coolie employed there was lighting a lamp close to an empty lonial port, might demand a hearing before spirits of wine. Suddenly there was a lond ex- street, on the 31st ult. a British Judge, thus delaying the course plosion in the barrel which blew the head off, and Inspector Perry, with some constables, made lifted the barrel across the godown several yards. a raid on the house and broke up a gambling parstriking the coolie on the forehead on the way, ty. Of those present he arrested the defendants, volume, and an alarm of fire was raised. For man who had been convicted on a previous oc- thence to the Government Civil Hospital. looked upon as in some sense men-of-war." volume, and an alarm of are was speedily forthcoming, casion. This is a perfectly reasonable request, and and before any material damage was done the The first and the sixth defendants were fined one which it would have been absurd flames were extinguished. Upon investigation it 825 each, or in default three months' hard lawas found the cause of the explosion was as follows. | bour: the third \$10 or six weeks, and the rest \$3 to refuse, but Count BISMARCK simply asks The barrel, though completely emptied of spirits or ten days. that the vessels may be looked upon as of wine, was thoroughly saturated with that "in-some sense" men-of-war, from which inflammable substance, which threw off a large amount of vapour, so that at the time the coolie it is clear be did not ask nor expect all that was lighting his lamp it was filled with this gas the local Ordinance gives. The object is mixed with air. The coolie lit the lamp close to the open bung of the barrel, ignited the gas which was issuing from it, and the fiame passing instantaneously inside, caused the explosion. The injured coolie was removed at once to the Government Civil Hospital. It is believed that | ten days.

We translate the following from the Avenir du Tonkin :- On Friday, the 20th August, at \$2, and in default was sent to gool for four days. in front of the house occupied by Nguyen-trong- William Maxwell, seaman, for a like offence, accompanied by M. Bavier-Chauffour, who came | Week. to claim the execution of the contract concluded by him with the Court of Hué two years ago for be the sale to him of an immense territory situated at Rebso and Hon-gac, where there are coal mines. (53,000 hectares for \$100,000.) The difficulty is this. The Government of Annum conceded the line of the Messagories Maritimes first bogan | mines to M. Bavier after having entered into an engagement with the French Government to do nothing in the matter of mines without the consent of the latter. Now, taken between two contrary engagements, and fearing the complaints of the French Government, they do not know what to do. The Viceroy has received from his Government no instructions, and if he had applied to of French Consuls upon exercising the privi- the Resident General he would have got no and so as to defeat the course of criminal presenting the French Government, whose interests are in direct conflict with those of M Bavier. The Vicorov therefore could only ber of bags containing dollars had been brought and opened before him. M. Bavier is now going Government, which they will probably refuse. courts unless some settlement be come to. Such a settlement is not impossible. M. Bavier

received with a courtesy which led him to hope

on the 26th ultimo for this port. The Agents, since she left port, and her non-arrival has been the cause of some anxiety, in view of the typhoon which left Saigon on the same date as the Ferntower and reached here on the 31st ult.

Information has been received by the Victoria Recreation Club that the four-eared best from Shanghai for the crew representing this colony to practice in is now on the way down, and may afforded a precedent also for giving the be expected here on Saturday. The Com-French steamers a position in law satisfactory mittee has been getting the Kornblume into thorough order to send to Shanghai for the representatives of the Model Settlement to pracfice in, and it will leave by the Canton to-day. It is stated that Shanghai is not only ready to of Hongkong, but if champions can be found, a single soulling and a double scalling match also. Glass has lately been taking out four trial men to practice with viz. Lieut. Lawrie. Kennedy. Sampson, and Lockhart, and it is probable he will take them all to Shanghai, so as to have a spare man in case of need. Who will be the four selected mon remains to be seen. If a single sculling match is rowed Hongkong will un loubtedly have its best souller on the spot Glass, and in double sculling he and Lawrie are about as good representatives as the Club could the same stroke, and in capital style.

A somewhat extensive robbery of registered etters took place recently between Borneo and Singapore. The British North Borneo Herald gives the following particulars of the affair: steamer Banca on the 19th June were tampered with at some point of the journey and three registered letters abstracted for which three instructed to institute enquiries not only into the bamboo striking something like wood, The result of a searching enquiry by these centlemen tends to the conclusion that the mails were opened after the Banca left Labuan for Singapore, and possibly at the latter port, and lying on the floor. He called his folk to look after it would appear that no blame attaches to Capthe mails were received by the usual Officer at fact was elicited that when the packet of registered letters was opened at Singapore by the Postal authorities the gum was still damp. - It is to be koped that the Straits detectives will oring the culprits to justice.

In the translations from the Peking Gazette made by our Shanghai morning contemporary appears the following account of a horrible tracedy in Shensi:—The Governor of Shensi reports the trial and execution of a man and his paramour who murdered the husband of the latter in cold blood. The man, whose name was Tseng, had formed a liason with a married woman called Yang, which had gone on undiscovered for some time. The husband of the woman having subsequently reason to suspect the faithfulness of his wife from the equivocal position in which he one day found her with Tseng, extorted a confession of guilt from her; and though at the instance of a female relative he did not put his wife away, he treated her thenceforward with great hurshness and prevented all further communication with Tsing. Tsing determined to kill Mr. Yang, and the consent of his paramonr. Mr. Yang being a bigger man than himself he hired two friends, brothers, at 4,000 cash and a piece of cloth a-piece, to help him when opportunity was offered. This opportunity was afforded by a wedding to which Wr. Yang went and from which he returned, to Tsêng's knowledge, very drunk. After consultation, therefore, with his paramour, Tseng returned with his two assistants and they were let into the house by the woman Yang, who took them into her husband's room and stood by while the murder was committed. Tseng got on to the K'ang, and sitting astride of the sleeping man, who was lying on his back, soized him by the throat, while one of his assistants held the victim's arms and another his legs, and he was-very shortly throttled. The woman has been sentenced to death by the slow process, the man

# LATEST TELEGRAMS.

THE BULGARIAN REVOLUTION. The following Havas telegram, received at Saigon, gives fuller details of the Bulgarian Alexander I., Prince of Bulgaria, holding a review at Widdin, was declared to have forfeited

and his partisans. Caravelloff and a few others have constituted themselves a Council of Regency.

The Prince of Bulgaria has been seized and

POLICE COURT. lst September.

BEFORE MR. E. MACKEAN. PUCLIC GAMBLING:

Seven Chinese were brought before the court-

AN EX-CONSTABLE IN TROUBLE. Alexander McGregor, an ex-constable of the Hongkong Police Force, was brought before the court charged with having been drank and disorderly, refusing to pay jiuricksha fare, and assaulting a constable in the execution of his duty. The defendant admitted having been drunk, and in default of paying a fine of \$5 and 50 cents to the jinricksha coolie, he was sent to gaol for

DRUNKEN SEAMEN. Dan Conclly, seaman unemployed was fined

OPIUM CASES. . possession of opium dross without a permit from the Opium Farmer. Wong Ahoi was similarly fined for a like offence, and in default of payment he was sent to gsol for ten days.

FATAL FIGHT AT WANCHAL On the night of the 26th ult. a fatal fight torate and wished only to safeguard his rights. that an arrangement concillating the opposing Achan lying on the floor. After a fruitless Foreign Legion These two officers were much interests might be submitted for the approval of search for the abscending coolie the Police were liked and carry with them the regrets of their

Fears are entertained as to the safety of the communicated with, and Man Achan was removed soldiers and British steamer Forniower, which left Saigon to the Government Civil Hospital, were he died these the Logical lost five men and the Ton. occurrence Inspector Mackie, who is in charge Mission immediately returned to Lac-kai. of Wanchai district, and the men under himencountered by the German steamer Deuteros, have been scenning the colony for the man Ho Aki, but without success. The eating house people allowed an interval of about three hours to elapse between the fight and the time they gave information to the Police, and it is thought

An inquest was held on the body at the Mortuary vesterday afternoon before the Acting Coroner, Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, and Mossrs. L. Downes, L. Piron, and F. J. Barros as jury. before whom the following evidence was taken. Dr. L. P. Marques said he saw the deceased on his admission to the Government Civil Hospital on the 27th ult.: witness then acting for Dr row a four-cared race against the representatives | Wharry. He was unconscious, and appeared to be suffering from a wound on his head. He never recovered consciousness, and died on the 30th ult. Witness had made a post mortem examination of the body, and found a hole nearly round on the right parietal brain, and the corresponding portion of the brain injured. wound might have been indicted by a sharp thrust from one of the pointed ends of the fire longs produced. Death resulted from that injury Wong Asansaid he that he was the master of the Nga I Ku enting shop, No. 1, Nullah-Lane. He knew the deceased, whose name was Man Achan. turn out, for they pull thoroughly well together, 30 years of age. He was a water carrier, and supplied water to witness. On the night of the 26th ult, about nine o'clock, he was sitting outside his door cooling himself, when he beard the deceased talking to a man named Ho Aki inside his cook room. He knew their voices; He Aki had formerly been in his employ, but had been I discharged. Ho Aki had become a coolie to the kerosine godowns after witness had discharged him, and he was in the habit of taking his meals in his shop, and sometimes slept there. Witness heard the deceased say to him—" Why do you spoil so much water? I work very hard to trap, the chief of the brigands ordered his man prossive measures—general decapitation—are letters stolen contained two or three hundred get the water." He Aki said, "There is only a to behead the owners and employes of the shop, 122 not aulikely to make matters worse. He is said dollars in notes and valuable securities to the little water, not much. What do you make so to have been defeated; anyway reinforcements amount of over \$6,000. The Governor, we be- much noise for?" The deceased then said, "I have been sent to him and if he does not take lieve, was the principal sufferer. Messrs. L. B. von will beat you." They had a few words, and care and try other methods, he may cause the Donop, A. Cook, and J. H. Walker, M.D., were the witness heard what sounded like a circumstances above-mentioned, but also into the Ho Aki ran ontof the shop, and called out " Save general working of the Postal Department here. life." He rau away, and witness, after standing

> the deceased, and asked him what Ho Aki had stenck him with, and he said with the fire tongs. Those produced must be the ones he referred to. as they were the only ones he had in the cook room. The deceased was bleeding from the right temple, and witness got some ti ta ng peel and ginger to put on his head, and had some water heated to make him tea. He then went in pursuit of Ho Aki westwards as far as the Clock Tower, and then came back. He found the deceased still on the floor, and he went to the Station and reported the matter. Some Police returned with him to his shop and asked the deceased if he would like to go to hospital; he said he would, and they took him to the Civil Hospital. Since then witness had been looking for Ho Aki, but could not find him. At the time witness went into the cook room the tongs were lying upon the floor, near the door. He looked at the tongs, but he saw no blood upon them. The decessed and Ho Aki had often met before in his house, but witness had never heard them quarrelling previously. When He Aki ran away he said save life" in a very low tone of voice. Witness, did not hear the deceased say anything. There was also a carrying bamboo in the cook room which the deceased used. The deceased said Ho Aki had struck him with the tongs. Witness and all the people connected with his house were outside when this affair took place. Inspector Mackie said he understood the ac-

why the deceased did not come out, and he went

into the cook room, where he found the deceased

countant was asleep inside the shop. The shopwas a small one, and the cook room adjoined. with an open doorway. The witness might easi-Iv have walked into the cook room when he heard Witness denied that there was anyone in the house. He said the reason he did not go into the cook room was that there were only a few

Inspector Mackie said the witness had not reported this affair until 12 o'clock, while he had stated that it occurred at nine o'clock. Witness said the intervening time had been taken up in getting remedies to apply to the deceased's head, in searching for Ho Aki, and in returning to his house. Had he seen Ho Aki he would have called for the Police.

Inspector Mackie said it was a wet night, there were very few people about, and had the witness given an plarm in time Ho Aki might have been arrested. Chung Ahi said he was an accountant in the employ of last witness. On the 26th ult., between 8 and 9 p in., the shop was closed, and he was sitting outside to cool himself. He heard the deceased and Ho Aki in the cook room quarrelling about some water; he could not quite hear what they said, and then he heard sounds of fighting. He heard the sound of a bamboo striking some-

thing and directly after Ho Aki ran out, calling "save life," but not in a loud voice. They remained outside the door until they noticed that the deceased did not come out, and then they went into the cook room and found him lying on the floor bleeding from the right temple. He appeared yory bad, and he said Aki had struck him with the tongs, which were lying on the floor together with the bamboo which was used for carrying water. Witness denied having told the police interpreter that he was asleep in the shop at the time this occurred. Chenny Ahan, coal coolie, who said he was also

outside the cook shop at this time, gave corrobo-P. S. George McDonald said that shortly before midnight on the 26th ult. the first Chinese witness came to the Station and made a report

Civil Hospital.

His Worship summed up to the jury, reviewing the evidence to them, and explaining the law as to each definition of homicido. The jury returned a verdict of manslaughter against Ho Aki.

ATTACK ON THE TONQUIN DELIMIT-ATION COMMISSION.

We translate the following from the Avenir du Tonkin of the 28th August :-The last post from Lac-kai has brought news

China. In accordance with an understanding with the Chinese Delimitation Commission, Comwhich the privilege was asked by their three c'clock in the afternoon, a hundred thou. for having been drunk and disorderly in the mandant Darn, Dr. Neisz, Lieutenants Hiron and Pineau were appointed to go and examine On London the Ngoi-mith the river selected to form the frontier on the right bank of the Red River, sixty kilometres above Lac-kai. The Nam-thai Li Yuk Tong, shopkeeper, was fined \$5 for will form the frontier on the left bank. The members of the French Commission were accompanied by an escort of seventy-five men. When they had arrived at a distance of fifteen kilometres from Ngoi-mith the French Mission was attacked. We do not know all the details of ON New YORK .this ambuscade, nor whother our countrymen were on land at the time of the attack or in their ON BOMBAY. sampans, but what is quite certain is that the occurred in Nullah lane, Wanchai, between two enemy, knowing of their expected arrival, lay in coolies named respectively Man Achan and Ho wait for them. By a strange coincidence the The former was water carrier to an eating | Chinese Commissioners had left twenty-four hours reply, the latter evidently having no authority house in that street frequented by coal ocolies, before the French Commissioners, and had given On Shanghai. to decide the dispute, and, on the other hand, re- and the latter was formerly on syed at that as their reason that they must advise the Comhouse, but had lately been otherwise occupied mandants of the Chinese forts to let the French and had his meals and sometimes slept there. pass freely, they being the first French who had individuals of their civil remedies . . . A do one thing-refuse to interfere in the On Thursday night Ho Aki was in the cook entered Chinese territory. A person well inroom of this establishment, washing his feet, formed as to the operations of the Delimitation when Man Achan came in and quarrelled with Commission has given us his views. He thinks him for wasting the water which he had to carry. that the Chinese Commissioners must be ac-They had a few words, followed by a fight, Man quitted of all responsibility for this ambuscade, The matter will then be fought out in the Law | Achan using his carrying hamboo, and Ho Aki | for the Ngoi-mith had been designated beforea long pair of iron fire tongs with two very he d for the frontier, the two Commissions sharp ends. Man Achan received a blow on were in accord on this point, and the French nothing hostile to the Government of the Protect the side of the head from this instrument which reconnaissance was merely for topographical purpenetrated through the skull into the brain. Ho poses. We have unfortunately to deplore the Aki ran out and made his escape, and the peo- loss of M. Geil, Lieutenant of the 1st Tonquinese, ple of the house, on entering, found Man and M. Henri, Sub-lieutenant of reserve in the

from his injuries on the 30th ult. Since the quinese Tiralleurs the same number. The

ATTAUK ON A PAWN SHOP IN HUCHANG.

An act of brigandage of upparalleled audacity has been committed in the town of Huchaug. province of Kiangsi. Early on the morning of the 13th instant, five men wearing the uniform of the Chinese Army, probably discharged soldiers, presented themselves at one of the leading pawnshops of Huchang, situate in the suburbs of the town. To effect an entrance they availed ! themselves of the moment when the cook was going out to purchase provisions. They said they wanted to pledge their uniforms, and asked Hongkong Ice Company's Shares-\$40 per for some of the employes. The latter refused to State, and while the robbers were arguing about were closely followed by twenty-seven more sooner had they done this than they draw out weapons which they had concealed under their garments, and warned the employee not to offer any resistance if they cared for their lives. The Perak Sugar Cultivation Company-Ils. 18 per latter, seized with fear, allowed themselves to be the house, while some of their comrades kept watch outside.

Some passer-by, noticing these individuals and alarm to the nearest military post. Two or three the place and arrived before the brigands had charge of the troops, however, unaware of the number of the thieves, dared not order an attack on the house, but contented himself with having it surrounded. Finding himself caught as in a and as each head was cutoff he took it and threw time gathered in the street. During all this time the soldiers were inactive, and it was only when the cook had returned and, after counting the heads of the unhappy victims, had assured the mandarin that all the people connected with the establishment had been killed that the commander decided to storm the house. The doors were burst open and the soldiers arrested the whole band of robbers, who offered no resistance.— Echo de Shanghai.

THE GOLD OF NORTH BORNEO

The following notes have been made by Mr. J .: Skertchly, F.G.S., of H. M. Geological Survey, on the gold and mineralogical specimens from British North Borneo at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition:-An inspection of the specimens of gold shown

to me from North Borneo convinces me that under able superintendence a prospecting expedition would result in the discovery of a very rich field. The alluvial gold is unusually flaky character and would indicate that it found principally in the easings of the lodes and not in the veins themselves. It has also not been carried very far from the original point of deposit. In all probability veins of serpentine will be found cropping up through the diorite, and between the diorite and serpentine the quartz veins will occur, and it is in the casings of these quartz veins that the bulk of the gold will be found, until a depth of say 150 feet is reached, when the gold may begin to occur in the lode itself. One of the specimens is stained with carbonate of copper—the presence of this would render the extraction of the gold very difficult, and lodes containing this carbonate should be avoided for the present. A close inspection of the cravices in the rocks near the serpentine veins should reveal large quantities of gold in the flake state,

but in this form it is very liable to be carried off by the water, and methods for retaining it should be adopted, as there is no fine gold visible in any of the bottles shown to me, and all this fine gold probably the greater part, must have been lost The quartz itself is decidedly auriferous in character and ought, except where copper present, to be worked at a low rate of cost of The gold shewn is singularly flaky and seems

very unlike the ordinary nuggety alluvial gold. From a specimen in one of the bottles it is olear that the gold lies in flakes our lines of segregation in the quartz, where which might that this gold comes from a mort distance The serpentine rocks are similar to those I have lately examined in Ireland, and I infer that it forms reafs in some crystalline rock. It contains quartz voins which may be anriferous if they run into the adjacent rock. I find no trace of granite, the crystalline rock being a digrite or greenstone, of which many specimens occur in the gravel exhibits. The serpentine, I may say, has a tendency to run into tremolita and I should expect to find asbestos or stentite scapstone) in quantity worth working. I should oo': for plumbage around the serpentine district. I infar from un examination of the gravel thatstratified rocks—sandstone, &c., form the northern part of the district, through which rocks, or against which, the igneous crystalline diorite has been pushed. It is among those diorites I should lock for gold, and among them the serpentines undoubtedly occur.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

WEDNESDAY, 1st September. EXPORT CARGOES. Per German steamship Cassandra, sailed the 27th August:—For Havre—18 cases bristles.

as to this occurrence, and he sent some constables | 5 cases hair. 28 cases blackwoodware. 5 cases to the eating house. The deceased was brought | chine ink, 198 cases percelain, 15 cases bronzebarrel which had, the day previous, been full of charged with public gambling at No. 28, Gilman- to the Station, and witness sent him to the ware, 54 packages rattan, and 3 packages merchandise. For Havre option Hamburg-130 P. C. 149. Wan Asung, gave evidence as to | packages canes. For Hamburg-115 packages. having been sent by the last witness to the eating | canes, 125 cases essential oils, 55 bales feathers, -house-of-the-first-Chinese-witness, and he-found 120 cases fans, 10 cases paper, and 336 packages the mail, the Imperial Government lays and inflicting a severe cut. Flames were at once the others escaping. The first and sixth were the deceased in the cook room as described. He sundries. For Hamburg option London-195 great stress on these mail steamers being seen pouring out of the harrel in considerable men concerned in the business, the third was a removed the deceased to No. 2 Station, and from packagen merchandise. For London-37 packages merchandise.

Per steamship Deucalion, sailed on the 29th August :-- For London-87,697 lbs. congou 73,395 lbs. scented caper. 1,785 lbs. scented orange pekoc, 10,632 lbs. sorts, 54 bales waste silk, 6 cases bristles, and 90 casks ginger.

Quotations are:— New Malwa .......\$520 per picul, allce. of 3 Old Malwa .......\$545 to \$550 per picul, allce. Older Malwa .......\$555 to \$560 per pical, allce of an unfortunate occurrence on the frontier of Patna (New) .......\$5137 to 515 per chest.

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Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares-**\$430** per share. China Fire Insurance Company's Bhares—296 per share, sellers. Hongkong and Whampos Dook Company's Shares—113 per cent, prem., ex div., sellers. Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—\$63 per cent. prem., ex div., sellers. Indo China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—

--30 per cent. discount, nominal. Douglas Steamship Company, Limited-\$51 per share. Hongkong Gas Company's Shares-\$130

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—370

per share, sellers. share, buyers. advance money on clothing belonging to the Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited **—\$120** ner share.

Company, Limited—34 per share, sellers. Selanger Tin Mining Company-\$5 per share,

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Chinese Imperial Government 1885 Dollar Loan -3 per cent. premium.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE. (FROM MRISRS, PARJORNES & Co.'s REQUEERS,) Thermameter-9 L.M. (Wet bulb)......79 

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

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METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER

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7.—Rays in inches, tenths and hundredths. W. DOBERCK Hongkong Observatory, 1st September, 1886.

NEWS FOR THE FRENCH MAIL

LATEST TELEGRAMS. Paris, 19th August. M. Blanesubé, Deputy for Cochin-China, emparked for Saigon on the 15th August. The Bishop of Metz is dead:

LONDON, 25th August. A rebel government established at Sophia has been overthrown and the revolutionary leaders stances of the case. LONDON, 26th August. A despatch has been sent to Prince Alexander urging him to return. The debate on the Address in reply to the

Speech from the Throne continues in the House

LONDON, 28th August. A regency has been established at Sophia. tion at Lumberg. LONDON, 30th August. Prince Alexander has arrived at Rustchuk.

and was received enthusiastically. An earthquake, causing great destruction and loss of life has occurred in Greece. NAGASAKI, 26th August. The Chinese ironelads leave this to-morrow:

the cruiser and gunboat left on Monday. Another Chinese died on Sunday, and the recovery to the Chinese Admiral that the landing of of two more is doubtful; twenty of the wounded any considerable number of sailors should be remain in hospital. European lawyers are re-probibited for some time, but no attention ported to be coming from Yokobama. Enquiry into occurrences is being privately made. THE VICTORIA GAOL COMMISSION'S

be taken until other measures have been tried. If whipping were allowed for returning from banishment it would be possible to release a number of the long sentence pri-China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited somers on conditional pardon, as the fear of a whipping would prove a sufficient deterrent to their returning to the Colony; and the number of prisoners convicted of petty theft being also reduced by the substitution of Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares-\$197 per | whipping for imprisonment, the over-crowding would speedily be reduced, and to such China Sugar Refining Company, Limited-Par. | an extent, the Commission believe, that space would be obtained to adopt gradually nearly the whole of the present gaol to the separate system. Mr. Wise, one of the Police Magistrates, strongly recommends whipping as a panishment for petty larceny, and says his the matter, five other men entered the shop and Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company reason is that "the offences to which I most particularly allude, viz., cases of theft of These closed the doors and barricaded them. No Punjom and Sunghie Das Samantan Mining | copper nails and pieces of copper from the Dock Company, have become so frequent, viz., 8 or 9 cases a week and sometimes more, that the Magistrates have been obliged to go on increasing the length of imprisonment until I saw that in more cases than one the offenders had got four months for thefra Hongkong and Macao Glass Manufacturing Co., of 5 cents' or 10 cents' worth of copper nails." Mr. Wise has not the slightest hesitation in prisonment in Victoria Gaol is no punishment at all. He is far better off in gaol than outside and has not such hard work." The whipping recommended by Mr. Wase is not more than twelve strokes for a man convicted of stealing 5 or 10 cents worth of nails; "the punishment would not be severe; only sufficient to cause him to remember it for a few days." There are, Mr. Wise thinks, about fifteen cases a week in which a discretion should be given to the Magistrate to inflict a whipping. The soundness of Mr. Wisk's views must be admitted by every one who has any knowledge of Chinese criminals. For a theft of a few cents' worth of nails it would be much better to give the man a whipping and let him go than to charge the colony with his maintenance for a longer or shorter term on a style far above that to which he is ordinarily accustomed. For returning from deportation and other grave offences the whipping would, of course have to be of a more serious character than that recommended for petty larceny, due care being taken not to inflict any permanent injury. The Commission say they "cannot but feel that the taxpayers of Hongkong should not be called upon to provide the prison accommodation required by Western ideas for the criminal population of a province long notorious for turbulence and piracy. The only way to avoid this is hy ac rigorous system of repatriation and, by the

Victoria College, and Senitary works wi

entail, to embark on such a large and ex-

pensive work as the erection of a new good

unless the necessity for it has been fully de-

monstrated; and that such a step should no

logical sequence of that system, which the Colony has never yet been allowed to carry out, the infliction of whipping for the mere offence of returning from banishment. All attempts at dealing with this question have hitherto been defeated, and the administration of justice crippled by the hesitation to grant that one indispensable requirement, viz., the power to whip moderately for returning from banishment a criminal who, in his awn country, would be besten unmercifully simply as a preliminary to trial, This, with the separate system throughout the existing gaol, should afford a practical solution of the whole question." On its own merits we maintain that whipping is a \_\_\_\_ pupishment which should be more extensively used indealing with Chinese primin is, and the strongest opposition should certainly be offered by the community to being saddled with the expense of providing a new gaol at a cost of perhaps helf-a-million dollars merely to gratify a humanitarian fad.

The Hon. A. P. MACEWEN, a member of

the Commission, dissents to some extent from his colleagues. He is against the use of flogging for petty crimes, and recommends the punishment of depriving a Chinam in of hisqueue, which be thinks would act as a greator deterrent than whipping. Several respectable Chinamon with whom he has conferred upon the subject, Mr. MacEwen says, fully agree as to this mode of punishment in preference to flogging; but he would not inflict it until a man had received fair warning, say for second offence. Looking on his queue in the light a Chinaman does, to deprive him of that appendage would partake almost of the nature of mutilation. The nunishment would be an exceedingly severe one, and if adopted at all ought only to be used. as Mr. MacEwen recommends, in cases where the culprit has been previously convicted and has had fair warning. The Hon, E. J. Ackboyd, in forwarding the report of the Commission, says in respect of the cutting off of queues that-"It was the opinion of those members of the Commission who are acquainted with the habits and customs of the Chinese that although it would be a very deterrent punishment, vet it was too severe a one to inflict. as they thought that a prisoner coming out of prison without his queue would be a subject of contempt to other Chinese, ---would be shunned by them.—he consequently would find it very difficult, if not impossible, to obtain a livelihood, and would thus be forced to commit some offence in order to seek refuge in gaol. From my short residence here l amnot able to state whether this result would or would not follow the cutting of the queue, but if it would, the question is worthy of further consideration whether, although a --severe punishment to the individual offender, yet if it kept others from orime it would not be the most merciful measure in the end." It must be remembered, however, that there are objections to making punishments too severe, as in that case there is always a disinclination to put them in force. On the whole we think it would be well to defer connideration of the punishment of queue-cutting until fair trial has been made of the more extensive use of whipping-a punishment which is fully in accordance with Chiisese ideas, and which would of itself, we think, prove sufficient to meet the circum-

CHINA AND JAPAN.

It is sincerely to be hoped that no serious complication between the Governments of China and Japan will grow out of the fatal affray at Nagasaki between Chinese men-of-Prince Alexander has met with a splendid recep- waremen and the Japanese police. The accounts given of the disturbance are so various that it is difficult even for a neutral outsider to arrive at a just and impartial decision as to where the blame should be apportioned. No doubt there were faults on both sides. but the question is who were primarily responsible. The Tokyo Jiji Shimpo states that after the first scrimmage on the 13th August, the Nagasaki Authorities suggested was paid to this suggestion, and three hundred men were permitted to go ashore on the 15th, when the pitched battle with such fatal results ensued. It is admitted by the journal above quoted that the sailors were not supposed to be armed when they landed, but The Commission appointed to consider the it is asserted that they procured arms prequestion of insufficient accommodation in viously purchased for the occasion and stored Victoria Gaol recommend that whipping be at the house of a Chinese resident in the allowed for aft cases of petty theft and for place. On the other hand it is evident that returning from banishment, and that the the Chinese regard the Japanese as the agscale of diet be reduced. While finding that gressors. The Shen-pao published a telegram the gaol is over-crowded they are of opinion which stated " that five Chinese soldiers had that it is most undesirable in the present been captured by the Japanese and murstate of the fluances of the Colony and with dered," obviously a gross misrepresentation such heavy expenditure in view as the Forti- on the part of their correspondent. The fications, completion of Tytem Water-works. Chinese Government, however, also, it is

# HUNGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking. Corporation was held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday morning, the 28th August. There were present:-Mr. M. Grote (Deputy Chairman), Hon. F. D. Sassoon, Hon. A. P. MacEwen, Hon. J. Bell-Irving, and Messra. W H. F. Darby, H. Hoppius, E. H. M. Huntington (Directors). J. Walter, Acting Chief Manager; Hon. P. Ryrie, Messrs. W. Kerfoot Hughes, J. Y. V. Vernon, H. W. Davis, D. R. Crawford, J. F. C. da Roza, Mortimer E. Murray, J. H. Cox, F. Henderson, W. Legge, H. Z. Just, C. P. Chater, J. S. Moses, A. H. Chiroy, Jas. Anderson, D. McCulloch, A. E. Vancher, L. Mendel, G. S. Coxon, A. G. Stokes, W. H. Ray, H. M. Mehta, Ed. George, J. A. Ablmann, P. Jordan, A McConachie, R. Lyall, J. A. Mosely, A. S. Cchen, A. MacClymont, H. Foss, C. W. Richards. O. Jackson, J. R. Anton, S. Hancock, Dr. Hartigan. J. Macgregor, H. N. Mody, A. Veitch, H. M. Bevis, W. Gaskell, V. A. C. Hawkins,

The CHAIRMAN read the Report [already published and said-Gentlemen, the accounts which accompany the Report just read fully explain the position of the Bank and your directors only regret having Traders' Insurance Company. Limited, was to touch the Equalization of Dividend Fund to held at the company's office, Hongkong. enable them to declare the usal dividend of £2 on the 30th August. There were present per share. This has been rendered necessary by Messrs. J. Thurburn (Chairman), M. Grote, the extraordinary fall in silver and sterling ex- P. Arnhold, C. von Bose (Directors), M. B. change which we have witnessed during the Polishwalla, J. Goosmann, E. E. Dear, T. last five months. It has not been our policy to E. Davies, D. Gillies, H. Wicking, W. R. run large risks in exchange, the management Loxley, H. P. Wadman, D. R. Crawford, A. having always endeavoured to keep our gold | Chinoy, A. E. Vaucher, G. de Champeaux, A. S. liabilities as nearly as possible covered by stor- Garfit, E. Burnie, E. Georg, F. T. P. Foster, G. ling remittances, but the decline, communing as S. Coxon, H. Z Just, and W. H. Ray (Secretary.) it did at a time when of necessity the Bank had | The SECRETARY read the notice convening laid in funds largely in China as preparation | the meeting. for the tea season, has unavoidably had The CHAIRMAN said-Gentlemen, the report was all that could be desired, the spectators were an unfavourable effect on our half year's has now been in your hands for some days and even more numerous than on the first day, and profits. Our newly-appointed Inspector. Mr. with your permission we will take it as read. Our all the events were namerously and well con-Noble, has made a thorough examination premium income, you will notice, continues to tested. After the sports the izes were preof the branches and agencies in Japan, steadily advance, the year just closed showing an sented to the successful competitors by the Chair-Manila, and the Straits, and the Directors have increase of \$18,000 as compared with the previous man of the Club, the Hon. A. P. MacEwen. given effect to his recommendation by providing year, and \$70,000, as compared with the year the full amount estimated to meet all possible ended on the 30th April, 1884. This increase losses from doubtful accounts. Gentlemen, I vou will doubtless consider very satisfactory, socam glad to be able to state to you that taking ing that during the period under review not only R.A., F. Shepherd, F. W. White, and J into consideration the large-amount carried has trade been depressed and values of merforward to the ourrent half-year we consider chandise shrunk, but there has been the keenest there is ample provision in hand to cover all competition on all sides, accompanied by a wise, which may have been incurred since the year an influential consulting committee has secounts were closed on the 30th June, and that been established in Melbourne. This step was we now make a fair start for the present half | rendered advisable by the increasing importance year. (Applause). Turning to the figures of the lof the Company's business in Australia and the report I am pleased to state that our deposits larger amount of funds it was necessary to keep show an increase of about four million dollars, in that quarter of the globe. The rate at which but following the money markets at home we the Company's sterling securities are valued has have decided to further reduce the rate of interest | been adjusted at 3s. 6d. The Directors again refor deposits in London by her cent. a saving commend a bonus of 20 per cent. to contributors by which the Bank should benefit materially in of business, and also to increase the general divi-

Bank's Reserve Fund is at present invested in Inecessary to all well managed Marine Insurance able, receivable, and discounted, Loans and Credits else to which I need specially refer, but if any show a falling of against last half year, which shareholder requires any further information I is the outcome of the exceedingly dull state of shall be glader furnish it as far as possible. the trade in China during the last six months. With reference to China Loans, the Bank has disposed of the remaining portions of the A and C loans and the only one on our hands at present is the small los slosed a short time ago with the Hoppe of Can at authorized by Imperial De by Mr. Just, the appointment of Messre, M cree, which has not yet been disposed of. Gen. Grote and C. von Bose as directors was contlemen, my predecessor in the Chair stated firmed at the last meeting that we had started the half year exceedingly well. None of us could foresee the silver calamity. Mr. John Walter, who has taken charge of the chief management | elected. in the meantime on the departure of Mr. Thomas Jackson, has had to go through very hard times indeed. We have to thank him and Mr. Cameron in Shanghai in particular for the very able mancomparatively favourable result. (Applause.) rants will be ready on the 1st September. The offices of the Corporation were removed to the new premises on the 16th inst. The Junior hong will most likely be ready at the beginning of next year and I trust the Bank may go through a prosperous and successful career in the magnificent new building. (Applause.) Gentlemen, before moving the adoption of the report and

# Mr. DAVIS seconded.

Carried unanimously. for your attendance.

accounts I shall be glad to answer any questions

or give any information with regard to the same.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

holders of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock hands of the following gentleman .- Umpires, little Fredericks held his 15 seconds safely from Company. Limited, was held at the Company's Major Ellis and Messrs. C. S. Goodwyn and Thompson all the way, covering the distance in office on the 30th August. There were present F. Grimble: Starter, Dr. H. N. Thompson, the capital time of 72 secs. Mesers. M. Grote (Chairman), E. H. M. Hunting- A.M.D., Official: Time Keeper, Mr. T. Glass: ton, H. Hoppius, Hon. J. Bell-Irving (Directors), Handicappers, Mesers. J. Sampson and T. Glass. Hon. P. Ryrie. Hon. A. P. MacEwen, Mesars. W. H. F. Darby, T. E. Davies, Dr. Adams, H. W. Davis, J. Grant, J. Goosmann, E. Georg. D. R. Crawford, J. Y. V. Vernon, A. G. Morris, D., F. H. Shepherd, Dr. Scanlan, A. M.D., Fritz Major Cochrane. W. H. Ray, C. W. Richards, E. W. Rutter, Lammert, M. Fredericks, and Lieut. Anderson, Lieut. Anderson. J. H. Cox. D. McCulloch, A. E. Vaucher, J. M. B.A. H. Kuhlmann, G. M. Bain, A. McConachie, this work. White made the first attempt, follow- R. Geodlad. M. B. Polishwalla, W. H. Gaskell, W. Legge, ed by Thompson. They each only remained 12 T. Glass.

manifest, regard the matter in a spirit in your hands for some time, as read. It is a Prodoricks got none in 175 seconds, and Anderson that hodes ill for the maintenance of friendly relations between the two countries. They have despatched three men-of-war from have despatched three mon-of-war from port and accounts it is my pleasing duty to ana-Shanghai and five from Tientsin to Japanese lyse some of the items. The business of the third attempt Shepherd found none in 24 waters, and have ordered two other vessels Company has been exceedingly prosperous and in Korea to proceed to the same destination, the Docks have been fully occupied during the or two and won first place. bringing their naval force in Japan up to whole time under review. We have also underfifteen ships, with which it is apparently in- taken some very large repairs which have been tended to overawe the Japanese Government. it must give owners and underwriters a consider-It is also affirmed by a Shanghai contem- able amount of confidence when they see that the porary that the Government of Peking have Company is competent to undertake the heaviest RUNNING HEADER FROM CROSS SPRING claimed a heavy indomnity from Japan for repairs to ships and machinery, thus saving a vast the affray. The Chinose at Tientsin were amount of time and money. For the purpose much excited when the news arrived, and of facilitating salvage operations the Directors Lammert, F. W. White, M. Fredericks, and are said to be eager for war, but this was be- have decided to repair the tug Fame, fit her G. Grimble.

and with all the necessary pumping gear and to arouse indignation and distrust among addition of the new workshops, which are now winner of second place. them. The step was certainly ill advised, nearly completed, and which materially add to the Chinese residents in Japan are not and never facilities for shipbuilding. This branch, which have been in any peril, and the despatch of has increased considerably of late, is being care-

all these vessels can only be interpreted by Japan as a threat. It is stated that Mr. Danman the moll brown harrists. DRUMMOND, the well known barrister of struction of the Admiralty dook is progressing Shanghai, employed as standing counsel by favourably; the floor has been laid for about 250 the Chinese Government, has been sent to foot and the excavation is going on without the Nagasaki to inquire into the circumstances least hitch. The Company has received so far of the riot, and if this be correct the pro- from the Admiralty three instalments of the loan ceeding shows some good sense, for the Japanese can depute Mr. Lowder, who stands in the same professional with the resolutions passed by the shareholders, stands in the same professional re- and the whole of the shares were taken up and bationship to the Government at Tokyo, paid for. The loans of the Hongkong Fire Ina mutual desire to see justice done. It is Society of Conton have been paid off, and that of

international quarrel, and the Governments Company will then have been released from all T. Lammert third. of both countries should have approached followed their former policy and written off conits consideration with every regard for the siderable amounts from the Company's property. feelings of the other. It is therefore with and will continue doing so until unquestionably great regret we note the initial mistake safe figures have been reached. The value of made by the Chinese Government. The the docks at present stands as follows :-- Aber-Japanese are a proud and sensitive race, deen, \$150,000; Kowieen, \$542,021.13; Cosmopoliquarter of a million dollars less, and bosides this construed into a slight or a menace. And it there are all the vast improvements and adis to be feared-unless the act is promptly ditions to the company's plant and property. explained in another sense—that they will Gentlemen, I am glad to state that we have regard the despatch of the nine warships started the new half-year exceedingly well; the from China to Japan as an attempt on the work in hand at present amounts to \$368,000.

part of the Paking Government to in- and the returns for the month of July, which timidate them into compliance with their are before me, shows not profit of about \$30,000. (Applause.) Your directors take this opportu- (scratch). nity of expressing their highest appreciation of the Secretary's (Mr. Gillies) services, and also of the assistant managers and the staff in general-(applause)-who by their united efforts, their zeal and energy, have all assisted to achieve the present successful position of the company. (Hear, hear and applause.) Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts. I shall be glad to answer any question or to give any

information with regard to the same. No questions being asked, the CHAIRMAN moved that the report and accounts he passed. Mr. VAUCHER seconded. Carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN-That is all the business before the meeting, gentlemen. The dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow. I thank you for your attendance. Hon. A. P. MAGEWEN-Gentlemen, I beg

to propose a vote of thanks to the Chairman Directors, Secretary, the Assistant Manager, and the staff generally for the favourable results shown for the last half-year. Carried by acclamation. The CHAIRMAN-On behalf of the Board and

## the staff I thank you most heartily, gentlemen. CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED. The twentieth annual meeting of the China

course of time when the old deposits at higher | dend from 18 to 20 per cent. The increased divirates have been allowed to run off. Questions have | dend will doubtless be acceptable to the general been asked by some shareholders with regard to body of shareholders, and the Directors hope that the sterling deposits of the Bank and I am pleas. the result of the present year's working will wared to state that these are written down to the rant them in maintaining it at that tigure. The current rate of the day and that they could all be Company is now within a few months of coming past all the other men. T. Lammert was third. covered this day without any further loss to the of age, having commenced its career in October. Bank. (Applause). Your Directors thought it 1865, and during its existence it has not only advisable to make additional investments in survived the flery ordeal of infantile ailments Indian Government loans and the whole of the but has accumulated a reserve of strength so

Government Securities. (Applause.) Bills pay. Companies. I do not think there is anything No questions being asked, the CHAIRMAN moved that the report be adopted.

Mr. Goosmann seconded. On the motion of the Chairman, seconded

On the motion of Mr. GEOTE, seconded by Mr. Polishwalla, Messrs, J. Thurburn and P. Arnhold, the retiring directors, were re-On the motion of Mr. ARNHOLD, seconded by

Mr. Polishwalla, Messrs, T. Arnold and T. I Rose were re-elected auditors. The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business. ner in which they have steered the Bank through gentlemen. I have only to thank you for your what may be called a Silver crisis, with a attendance and to say that the dividend war-

### VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB AQUATIO SPORTS.

FIRST DAY, 27th August. The annual series of aquatic sports in connection with the Victoria Recreation Club were commenced on the 27th ult. The weather, in spite No questions being asked the CHAIRMAN of an unpromising morning, turned out very moved that the report and accounts as presented | pleasant, there was a large attendance of specta- | Cornish, G. Grimble, Fritz Lammert, and F. W. tors, and, contrary to expectation, the entries White. were numerous. Every event was well contested, and the performances of the various first place, with White next. On the deciding, ing his appeal. The CHAIRMAI Gentlemen, the dividend competitors were well up to the standard, trial Grimble went over on to his back, and Lamwarrants will be ready on Monday. I thank you in fact the diving was, on the whole, a mert, though also making a poor dive, took the good deal above the average of recent years, prize. especially off the high stage. Both long and short races were done in creditable time. the latter being a remarkably good contest. G. Grimble was the most successful man, as he compoted in three events, and took first place in each. (15 secs.), T. Lewis (5 secs.), and Dr. Thompson The ordinary half-yearly mosting of the share- The day's proceedings were well managed in the (scratch). Lewis did not swim the race out, and

V. Figneiredo, H. Z. Just, T. Arnold, H. Drude, The water was very thick and had for J. H. Stewart-Lockbart, F. H. Hayllar. permission 1 will take the report, which has been | in 13 seconds, Lammert gots in cups in 28 seconds, minute and a half.

The events went off in the following order:--

Entries-F. W. White, Dr. Thompson, A. M.,

Diving FOR OBJECTS (Two prizes.)

and Lammert also two in 20 seconds. In his seconds Lammert brought up one cup in a second

Fritz Lammert F. Shepberd Anderson and Scanlan tried off their tie for third place; Anderson brought up one and Scan- knowing it to have been stolen, on or about the lan five, the latter thus being third.

Entries-H. Arthur, C. A. Cornish, Fritz fore full particulars of the affair had arrived, out with a pair of powerful twin screw engines. The test of merit lay in four points—form. The Japanese Press and people appear to discuss the question calmly and without any when she is not otherwise employed. All the less, and he won first honours, while Cornish and when she is not otherwise employed. The less and he won first honours, while Cornish and the control of the contr less, and he won first honours, while Cornish and came into town on the 30th July, having heard of the river than it was in our own immediate hours the scene of probably the most dis- the motion, when it was lost by a majority of

HOARD. (Two prizes.)

G. Grimble C. A. Cornish..... Boys' RACE. (2 lengths). Handicap.

(Two prizes.) Entries-M. Fredericks, J. B. Gibbs, and T. Kew (soratch). Lammert (5 sec.) and Wallace (7 secs). There was a close race between Lammert and

Fredericks a good third. Time 832, sees. Frank Lammert (5 secs.)..... SHORT RACE, (2 lengths). Open.

(Two prizes.) and Fritz Lammert. Grimble led at the end of When I am well and in the office the seal is on to make the inquiry jointly and with surance Co. Limited, and the Union Insurance the first length by about two feet, with Arthur the table, second. It was a close race home between these most desirable that this unfortunate affray the China Fire Insurance Co. Limited, will be two the others two being out of the hunt. Grimshould not be allowed to develope into an redeemed when it falls due in November. The ble won by about two yards. Time, 71 seconds. saw the defendant and Beltran, on the 28th July,

Abraham, and Biddle.

Dodd ..... Long Race. (Round the Red Buoy and back). was the last Wednesday. The defendant came (Handicap), (Two prizes).

Wallace kept his lead to the buoy, which he before three o'clock. I did not notice anything rounded in 3m 41 secs., with Hayllar close be- but an umbrella in Beltran's hands. I saw them hind, and Fredericks third. On the journey | together while they were eating. When walkhome Hayllar soon passed Fredericks, and won ing in the passage they were on either side. behind. Fredericks was an indifferent third.

HEADER FROM STAGE. (Two prizes.) Entries-G. Grimble, F. W. White, Fritz THE CORRUPTION IN THE POLICE Lammert, M. Fredericks, and C. A. Cornish. The diving in this event was considerably Little Fredericks dived well, and recovered re-tondent of the Force in accepting gratuities The umpires decided.

- G. Grimble HURDLE RACE. (Handicap). (Two prizes.) (5sees.), F. Lammert (Seecs.), F. W. White Mr. Ewens) for the defence. (10secs.), and F. Lewis (15secs. After a fine race T. Lammert won by about

last hurdle. Time, 77secs. T. Lammert (5 secs.).... Fritz Lammert (8secs.) TUG OF WAR. J. H. Stewart-Lockhart. F. Grimble. Lieut. Anderson. T. Glass. T Pavidson. M. Falconor. W. Powell. T. W. Lammert. J. W. Powell. Lieut, Lawrie. C. H. Thompsom. G. Grimble.

R. Goodlad. There was a good hard pull, but it went all one other in his decision. way. Lockhart's side gradually drawing the others back till the end man reached the staring. were concluded before daylight waned.

SECOND DAY, 28th August. The second day of these sports on Saturday was fully as successful as the first. The weather

Dotails are appended:— SWIM UNDER WATER. (Two prizes.) Entries-Fritz Lammert, Lieut, Anderson.

Anderson kept down the longest 35 secs., but | his course was erractic and his distance in a losses, whether from fall in exchange or other- general lowering of rates. During the past straight line was soon beaten. Shepherd covered 100ft. 4in., and was never reached. D'Almada and Lammert tied at 90 feet for second, and the l latter gave up the prize.

 $\mathbf{F}$ . Shopherd (100ft. 4in.)......... J. D'Almada Fritz Lammort SHORT RACE, (2 lengths). (Handicap).  ${f Two}$  prizes.)

Entries-G. Grimble (scratch). H. Arthur M. Fredericks (13 secs.) White was soon past Fredericks, and kept the

lead all the way till the finish where the judges gave it a dead heat with Grimble, who had got closely followed by his brother. Plunge, (Two prizes.)

Entries-S. A. Fredericks, T. Lammert, G. Grimble, and Fritz Lammert. Fredericks made the first plunge, covering 56ft. 2in., and none of the others got near this. S. A. Fredericks (56ft. 2in.)...... ]

- T. Lammert (43ft. 6in.)........... 2 SMALL BOYS' RACE, (Under 14 years of age). (Two prizes.) Entries—E. Lammert and Stopani (scratch). Rose and Gonsalves (10secs.), Cook (15 secs.), and H. Hayward (20 secs. Hayward kept his lead till more than half way on the return journey, where Cook and Lammert both passed him. Between these two a very hot

struggle took place all the way to the finish.

Lammert just touching the staging first. Rose

was very close up, third.

Lammert Soldiers' Race, (4 lengths.) (Two prizes.) There were eighteen entries, which rendered two preliminary heats\_necessary. In the first heat the first three were Privates Saunders, Gibb, and Wankling, and in the second Privates Cooper, Mickley, and Cox, Cooper winning very easily, and going remarkably well. First heat 3m. 16sees, second 3m. 2secs. The final head was only two lengths, and this was won easily by Cooper in 76sees., with Wankling second and Gibbs third. Saunders did not compete in the

Private Cooper ..... Private Wankling ..... 2 RUNNING HEADER FROM MIDDLE SPRING BOARD, (Two prizes.) Entries-J. D'Almada, H. Arthur, C. A

Grimble and Lammert were adjudged a tie for Fritz Lammert G. Grimble

CONSOLATION RACE, (2 lengths.) (Handicap), There were only three entries. M. Fredericks M. Fredericks TUG OF WAR.

Scotch v. the World—The sides were composed World. F. Grimble. G. Grimble. Lieut. Lawrie. H. Arthur.

Dr. Thompson.

POLICE COURT.

31st August. BEFORE MR. E. MACKEAN.

BELTRAN'S ALLEGED ACCOMPLICE Joseph da Cruz, shopkeeper. Wellington-street. was before the court, on remand, charged with having received money from P. R. Beltran, well

Mr. Deacon appeared for the prosecution, Mr.

Caldwell for the defeace. The following further evidence was taken. Mr. Albino Mencarini deposed-I have been ed Messrs. Purden & Co.'s jetty. Farmers are Consul for Spain in this colony since 1872. I bitterly complaining of the damage done to their was absent from Hongkong last year, and re. crops, especially those nearer to the river. turned in January. I went out, some time in March, to Pokfolum, owing to ill health. I was much more disastrons in the upper branches | very quiet town of Nagasaki was for about three | Finance Committee. A division was taken on great resentment, but the appearance of the docks are in an efficient state. The Kowloon Lummert were adjudged a tie for second. In that a forgery had been committed. Beltran vicinity. In the Kien Yong and neighbouring graceful riot ever witnessed here, resulting in three, including one unofficial member. Joso fresh Chinese men-of-war is likely, we fear, property has been very much improved by the the deciding trial the former was declared the had been five years in the Consulate. He was Tea districts, as far north as Pu Shing, the the death two Japanese police, one Chinese man. Alonco, the clerk in the Hongkong and China current business. The signature on the doouseal is the real official seal. The signature on the document marked A I am clear is

mine, but it bears the official seal. The docu-Wallace, the former winning by about two yards; | ment marked B does not bear my own signature, but has the official stamp. (The first two documents alluded to were the first and second of exchange, and the third the compradore's order). Cross-examined by Mr. Caldwell-Beltran received the pay of the Vice-Consul. I appointed Entries-G. Grimble, H. Arthur, T. Lammert him as clerk, he had no appointment from Madrid. | wrecked.

> Antonio Quintal said -Iam watchman on board the Hongkong and Macao steamer Kiukiang. I gong to Macao. I first saw da Cruz come on board, and then Beltran. The only thing I saw Beltran

following day or the day after that. Cross-examined by Mr. Caldwell-I know the day was a Wednesday. I have not been told it on board before Beltran. I did not see them Entries-J. Wallace (15 sees.), Dr. Thomp-I meet: I saw them sitting close to a table, and I watch in the engine room, but I saw this upstair. was further remanded for a week.

FORCE.

The case of the 53 lokangs committed for trial General to be summarily disposed of, now came before his Worship for decision. --The Crown Solicitor (Mr. A. B. Johnson) for

vory short notice, and the consequence was that have a boy of her own adoption quarrel with her, all his clients were not present. Some of them, as it were, in her own house made her feel badly after being committed, and being on bail, had indeed, and she thereupon declared that she taken advantage of the opportunity of going into | would have nothing more to do with the regency. the country, and he had had no opportunity of She immediately issued an edict proclaiming that getting them back so soon. that under the circumstances it was impossible her will that he should get married the next year, to get any defendants back in time who had and control the State for himself, while she

but in an appearance, bringing up the full!

the defendants by Inspector Mathieson and by the sergeant interpretor after both the case for the prosecution and that for the defence had been closed.

aware, are not strict as these of the Supreme

Mr. Wobber said he should of course, have to most strongly protest against the whole proceeddone. He had no notice, and there was nothing to show that the ten men who were mixed up with the defendants were unknown to the prosecution. Mr. Webber went on to argue that the fact of the case having been returned from the Supreme Court by the Attorney General was a most important point in favour of the defence, and the (3 sees.), T. Lammert and C. A. Cornish (5 sees.), fact that as grand- jucy the Acting Attorney-Fritz Lammert (8secs.) F. W. White, (12 secs.) General had sent the case back from the Supreme Court must raise the grave doubts wit regard to the case in his Werebip's mind. ont it without the least doubt that the reason

the case had been returned was that the Government officials felt that it would not be safe to bring the case, which was government prosecution before a jury and had thus thrown the onus upon his Worship of saving whether the defendants were guilty or not. The Crown Solicitor—Mr. Webber made one remark as to which I must say a word or two. He has stated that the reason why the Attorney-General has sent the case back to this court to be summarily disposed of because he felt there were some doubts about it, and that it was not safe to send it before a jury

I think it is hardly necessary to mention it t your Worship, because you already know it, the reason why cases are sent back from the Supreme Court I never heard of a case being sent back here because the Crown feared to send it before a jury. Mr. Webber has made this statement without the slightest hesitation and I think it is a pity that before doing so he did not make some inquiries beforehand as to what is the reason for sending the case back. The reason it is sent back is not because it is feared it is not anfe to put it before s jury, but because the Attorney-General thinks it is a case which, under the Ordinance, ought to be dealt with by the magistrate. His Worship—In this case I convict all the defendants, and fine them \$30 each, or in default

a month's imprisonment. Mr. Wobber said he was instructed, in case there was a conviction, to appeal; and he must ask his Worship to grant him a case. His Worship said he would grant Mr. Webber

Mr. Webber said the application was chiefly based on the point he had raised at the commence ment of the defence that this was a case which could not be dealt with summarily, but must be disposed of at the Supreme Court. The fact that his Worship had committed the case for trial strongly supported his contention. Mr. Webber applied for bail for his clients pend. His Worship said he would allow the same

bail as before. During the hearing of the case Major Dempster, the Acting Superintendent of the Police Force, occupied a seat upon the bench.

THE FLOODS AT FOOCHOW.

and the three hills; and here the poor wretches, E.N.E. which should have taken him well away of a serious nature are anticipated in the ex- form is not apporent.

fixeded put of their homes and with their pro- from the Kunsshirl coast and he can only at- Hermit Kingdom.—The other two Chinese ironporty destroyed, waited anxiously for the subside tribute his position to the causes before stated. | clads were to leave Nagasaki on the 27th August. ing of waters. The hardest lot fell on those in- Ho also states that he found his charts to be It is probable that the other Chinese men-of-war. habiting the western portion of the city, where entirely wrong and that the shape and position said to have been despatched to Japan, have also the ground is lower, the depth of water register- of the islands are anything but correct, as gone to Korea. The Peking Government eviing as much as twelve foot, and the loss of life in compared with other charts used by the steamers | dently distrust Russian movements in that part. this district must have been fearful, no prepara- on this coast. He further speaks in the highest tions having been made for such a rapid rise. terms of the attention and kindness shown to The casualties on the river in the neighbourhood | himself and crew by all the Japanese officials, of the settlement are said to have been about 30. both at Nemuro and Hakodate: they having and these were occasioned chiefly by boats cap- | rendered him every possible assistance, and could sixing or being dashed against the bridge. In | not have done more than they did. one case which we saw curselves, the whole fa-| mily in a sampan were lost with the exception of a little boy of about four years of age gallantly rescued by a Cantonese as he was swept pass-

first or private clerk; he was not Vice. destruction is said to have been most severe; the of-war officer, and six Chinese mon-of-war sailors, Gasworks, who pleaded guilty of embezzling the Consul. Beltran would be in charge when network of streams from the sarrounding mount in addition to the wounding, in various degrees, sum of \$1,491 the moneys of his employers, was at Pokfolum. He came to Pokfo. tains bringing down enormous volumes of of about twenty Japanese police, ten Japanese was, on the 27th ult., sentenced by the Chief

PALACE DISPUTES AT PEKING.

The Tientsin correspondent of the Daily News writing under date of the 17th August, says: -Our native gossip informs us that the late resignation of the Empress Dowager from the carrying was an umbrella; I cannot say whether Regency was on account of internal disputes in da Cruz had anything or not. I saw them sitting the Imperial Palace. The story runs thus. There were eight entries, viz. :- W. Dodd, E. aft, a little abaft amidships, in the passage way. H.I.M. the Empress Regent had been wishing Mills, Hollowell. Oates, Sharp, Buckley. They were walking round at first, and da Cruz for a long time to make extensive alterations spoke to me and told me they were going to get in the Imperial Gardens of the Nan Hai, Pai Sharp led the first three longths, but on the some casks of wine. They were talking together, Hai, &c., so as to render them suitable for her jealous of their national honour and little tan, \$340,446.17; total \$1,032,467.39, against a final Dodd, who had been hanging second, passed and both were sitting at the table, eating and own Imperial dwelling, when the time comes for disposed to brook any act that can either be total in 1881 of \$1,278,966.13; being about a him easily, and won. Biddle also got past Sharp drinking. I did not see either of them leave the her to resign her present power and the sceptre bont at Macao. I saw du Guerreturn either the she holds to H.I.M. Kuang Han. On broadhing the subject to her ministers, they held a long consultation, and finally reported that enough money could be found to repair the gardens i question, but that to alter them according to Her Majesty's design was impossible, owing to the want of means for collecting the funds necessary son. (5 secs.). S. A. Fredericks, and F. H. Hayllar | saw Beltran take out a paper and write. I keep | for carrying out the work. The repairs alone they computed, would cost over two million taels of sycee. Her Majesty had officially nothing to say against this; for when she tried to persist in her demands, the ministers gravely represented the impoverished state of the country, the easily in 7m. 25secs., Wallace being 19 seconds | At the application of the prosecution the case poverty of the people already groaning under overtaxation, and the lavish expenditure of the state revenues during the last twenty years, for foreign wars, in putting down internal rebellion, and in assisting suffering people from the miseries of floods and famines, etc. Although better all round than has been seen for some on the charges of misconduct as police constables, Her Majesty did not persist, she still felt very years past. Grimble's three headers were in fine accepting bribes, and with disobedience to the sore about the subject all the time, as it is her form, though the recovery was a little slow, orders and regulations of the Captain Superin- pet wish to adorn and rebuild these pleasure gardens for her residence during the rest markably quickly, but raised too much water. without permission, having been sent back from of her life, when she shall have given up the Supreme Court by the Acting Attorney- public business and the cares of State to resign herself to ease and pleasure alone. The

ever, was the refusal of the young Emperor to Entries-H. Arthur (scratch). T. Lammert | the prosecution, Mr. Webber (from the office of give her the use of some apartments in the palace of which the Emperor was in possession, Mr. Webber stated that it was only through and which the Empress desired to occupy. This the courtesy of the Crown Solicitor that he had final stroke was evidently too much for Her Mathe Eun ror was old enough to assume the direcgone to outlying districts. Still their absence would withdraw from the Regency and all public would make no difference either one way or the affairs, with the responsibility thereof, into the seclusion of private life. This decided action Soon afterwards some more of the defendants slarmed all the great statesmen in the Capital, memorial follows i memorial in remonstrating The eight events, which were all interesting, number with the exception of the eight men who with Her Majesty on the folly of following such absconded at an early stage of the proceedings. | a line of conduct, representing the youth and in-Mr Wabber said be understood that it was experience of the Emperor, and the greatdauger his Worship's intention to give judgment in the the whole Empire would be exposed to, in carry-

that he had had no opportunity afforded him of as the important concerns of the country in the and what he still contended, were the most irre- Her Maj sty's wisdom, as shown by experience gular proceedings of repeating the identification during all these years of intricate diplomacy, of sales that the defendance has been during all these years of intricate diplomacy, of making the identification and does not feel justified in reversing during all these years of intricate diplomacy, of police sent from the Hamano-machi station. the decision of his predecessor. The typhoon which was raging a few days ago Empire could not dispense with her sagacious blocking the way up with jurickshas, from baling the China Seassems to have been encountered counsel in all its affairs, and prayed she would hind which they fought until they were all more by a second research research research. Revides these whose reports still conduct public business until such time as His Worship-Of course I gave you every the young Emperor was really capable of guidopportunity, after that was done, to reopen your ing the Governmental machinery himself. The case again. The rules of this court, as you are truth of these sayings coupled with the intoxicating incense of flattery seem to have appeared the wrath of Her Majesty, and she consented to this time began to realise the danger of the countered the tail of a typhoon to the superintend the Governmental rule even after submit to his Worship's ruling, but he must still the young Emperor had been married and ascended the throne. Rumour states also that ing. He then proceeded to oriticise what was two Censors in Peking memorialized, that since Her Majesty wished to allow H.I.M Kuang Hsii to administrate for himself they thought that it was proper and right, while they made several suggestions. As answer the Empress Downger severely rebuffed the censors. It is not astonish ing to find that the officials, great and small, in the Imperial City dislike the idea of the Empress giving up all control of the governmental power. Most of them have risen in office, under the favour of their present Imperial Mistress, and any change of the administrative heads would involve an uncertainty of their respective official posts, hence their desire that she should still continue in her office of Regent Empress. Even Prince Ch'un, the father of the present Emperor, would have to give up all official work. as

he could not gracefully serve under his own son. address him as lord and master, or call himself 'vour slave," as he should to the Emperor. Now he calls himself "slave," &c., in deference to the The young Emperor is said to be very passion.

ate and of ungovernable temper. Under his rule therefore, no one knew who would rise or fall in the political world, and the officials thought it best to induce the Empress to continue in her which it will remain with the Governments con- land, whither Captain Kennedy-Edwards's duties post of Regent.

THE LOSS OF THE SCHOONER " DAKOTA.'

The Japan Gazette says :- The steamer Takagago Muru, which arrived in Yokohama on the 6th August, brought a large number of passengers from Hakedate, amongst whom we find the hipwrecked crew of the American three-masted shooner Dakota. Cantain A. Nielsen, who states that his vessel left San Francisco on the 5th June last bound for Nikolaefsk. He had favourable weather until be arrived in the vicinity of countered, which lasted for days without intermission. He, however, succeeded in sighting the island of Shiketan on the 19th July; at about ? p.m. and judged it to be distant about thirteen miles. A course was then shaped to pass through the Kunashiri Channel and shortly afterwards the fog again obscured all view of the land. On stances as these, it will be difficult, if not impost tain Kennedy-Edwards and family left by the P. the following morning (about 10 o'clock) when on the starboard tack and heading about E. N. the ship suddenly struck on a reef which after the present affair in the best way they can, and wards proved to be on the N. E. point of Kun- in future endeavour to prevent the repetition of ashiri Island. As soon as possible after striking, what certainly can only further embitter the the sails were lowered and a kedge anchor run feeling against one another, without adding very ont astern, by the aid of which they succeeded in getting the vessel off the reef, but unfortunately been fully reported to the Tokyo authorities, who a strong breeze sprung up just at this critical moment and, although the auchors were let go and every effort made to keep affoat, it proved fruitless. The strong breeze and heavy easterly swell drove her again on the reef she became a total wreck. Capt. Nielsen, who vestigations will be submitted to a special com-has his wife and little child with him, states mission, presided over by Count Ito. Three that they remained on the wreck until the Chinese officials have also been despatched from Since last issue (save the Foochore Echo of the fourth day, when the fog lifted and they the Tokyo Legation. 28th Angust) further particulars regarding the found themselves only half a mile from the damage done by the flood are to hand, and we re- shore, which was very mountainous and without | The Shanghai Mercury says :- Two Chinese of the punishment of ling chih, or cutting gret to say, they exceed previous estimates both inhabitants; they then took to the boat and pro- men-of-war only, the Ting Yuen and the Chen to pieces the living victim: A woman, who had

THE RECENT AFFRAY AT NAGAŞAKI.

lum every two or three days to tell me the water into the main branches of the river, residents, three Chinese officers, and over fifty Justice, in Criminal Sessions, to five years' penal already strained to their utmost capacity by the Chinese sailors. Before recounting Sunday servitude. The Aquatic Sports in connection ment marked E is not mine, but I believe the heavy local rains. The towns on the river bank | night's proceedings, it is necessary to go back to | with the Victoria Recreation Club took place on were of course the chief sufferers, and the loss of the night of the previous Friday, when, from the 27th and 28th ult., and were more than usulife in the cities of Kien Ning Foo, Yen Ping | what we can learn, aparty of Chinese sailors, more | ally successful. The half-yearly meeting of the Foo, and among the best population of the neight or less intexicated, visited one of the licensed brother languages in the Hongkong and Shanghai. bourhood, is estimated at such a high figure | thele in Yoriai-machi, and commenced to create a Banking Corporation was held on the 28th ult. that we besitate to give credence to our information disturbance, whereupon the proprietor sent for the and that of the shareholders of the Hongkong tion until receiving further particulars. The police, one or two of whom are always stationed and Whampon Dock Company. Limited, on the Tet Hongs in the town of Kien Yong have been at the foot of Maru-ya na. A policeman named | 30th ult. The yearly meeting of the shareholdheavy losers, no less than fourteen, out of the Kurokawa answered the summons and succeeded less in the China Traders' Insurance Company, seventeen establishments there, being totally in apparently pacifying the disturbers. Shortly Limited, was also held on the 30th ultimo. The

until about 8.30 p.m.,—the corresponding hour at | Solicitor for the defence gave notice of appeal, which the police were attacked at the foot of and the Magistrate granted him a case. It Marn-vama on the previous Friday. At that Remonvi, the great violinist, has returned to hour an unusual number of sailors congregated | the Colony and announces that he will give two at the Chinese grog-shops in Hirobaba, and concerts. Mr. N. R. O'Conor. C.M.G., C.B., several of them commenced to jeer and throw | late Secretary of Legation at Peking and for some pieces of water-melon, etc., at the policeman time H. B. M's Chargé d'Affaires in China, arstationed at the cross-read. No notice was taken | rived here on the 30th ult. in the steamer Benof them for some time, the policeman being a place from Foochow, on his way home, having been crowning disappointment she lately had, how- quiet and inoffensive man; but as the Chinese promoted to the post of Secretary of Legation gradually became bolder,—as they usually do at Washington when the odds are about a hundred to one in their favour,—and attempted to take the staff | meeting of the members of the Victoria Recreaaway from the policeman, a private message was I tion Club was held under the presidency of the sent to the Megasaki station, reporting the state | Chairman of the Club, the Hon. A. P. MacEwen. two yards from his brother, who just kept his been made aware the case was again coming belead of Arthur, the latter sticking a bit on the fore the court to-day. He had thus had but will has been curbed in many respects, and to any however, betore assistance. The meeting was of a purely formal character to could arrive, the unfortunate policeman was confirm the resolutions as to amendment of rules of affairs. Sad to say, however, betore assistance. The meeting was of a purely formal character to could arrive, the unfortunate policeman was confirm the resolutions as to amendment of rules of affairs. Sad to say, however, betore assistance. The meeting was of a purely formal character to could arrive, the unfortunate policeman was confirm the resolutions as to amendment of rules of the court to-day. He had thus had but of affairs. Sad to say, however, before assistance. The meeting was of a purely formal character to entirely surrounded, and beaten and stabbed to passed at the provious meeting. After some death in the space of a few minutes, -in fact trouble a quorum was obtained, and all the prebefore it was thoroughly, realised by the vious resolutions were confirmed. few native bystanders that anything of so | It is notified in the Government Gazette that serious a nature was being carried out. The His Excellency the Acting Governor has been number of Chinese then began to rapidly in- informed by the Secretary of State for the Co-His Worship said he could fuite understand tion of the Imperial Government, and that it was to arrest the offendars and put a stop to further ports of China have received instructions to pubcrease, and as the police arrived to endeavour lonies that H. B. M's Consuls at the Treaty violence, it was noticed that many of the Chinese | lish a new scale of emigration fees which has were armed with swords, sword-sticks, spears, been approved by the Secretary of State for etc., part of which had been previously purchased | Foreign Affairs. The scale of fees fixed by Goin the native town, ostensibly as curies, and the | vernment notification No: 255, of the 15th July, remainder furnished by their compatriot resid- 1884, is therefore cancelled. ents in Shinchi and Hirobaba. The mob pro- Among the papers hid on the table of the Leconded towards Kago-machi without any opposi- gislative Conneil on the 27th August was the tion, and after ashort consultation at the Temple raply of Lord Granville to the despatch of the steps, known as "Chudra," they continued thair | Acting Governor anhabiting the resolution of march along Funadaiku machi, attacking every the Legislative Council in favour of a reconcase this afternoon, but he would first like to say ing out her edict and leaving the delicate as well one who came in their way. They were there sideration of the decision as to the fature withmet by several police, who endeavoured to per- drawel of the existing Ecclesiactical grants in answering in any way what he said at the time. hands of a boy. They commended and extelled ed for their pains. At the foot of Maru-snable to see sofficient grounds for such recon-

Consulate, there to be kept under guard the re- | vessel. From thence to port had fine weather. mainder of the night. The following day great

tween the two nationalities, the bare rumour that | been carried on so successfully. During the last the Chinese were coming ashere again that night | season the committee and the numerous audiences was sufficient to arouse their patriotism to such a | who attended these concerts were largely pitch that the scene of the previous night's fray | indebted to the two Miss Kennedy-Edwards, was literally crowded with men secretly armed who have rendered invaluable assistance both and fully prepared to fight should occasion arise in accompanying the singers, and in for doing so, which fortunately did not. Such giving planeforte selections, and this gathering is the principal facts of the case so far as we have | was got together for the purpose of making some been able to learn. The matter is now being slight recognition of the services they so kindly

cerned to endeavour to settle the matter amicably. now call him. A number of those who have per-At the same time, there is not the slightest formed at the Popular Concerts contributed doubt but that the Chinese as a body were to the amusement, and in the course of the evenprimarily entirely in the wrong. In attack ing Mr. Swales, the Chairman of the concerts, ing the policeman at Maru-yama. on Friday. presented a testimonial to Miss Edith Kennedythey were guilty of a serious crime, which Edwards on behalf of herself and her sister, who be punishable with death; and the cold- Mr. Swales conveyed the thanks of the Concert blooded murder of the policeman at Hirobaba Committee to the Misses Kennedy-Edwards, and showed a natural inclination to callous brutality expressed their regret that they should be leavwhich none but the most degraded of human ing them now. He trusted they might have a beings would be capable of displaying. In tak- pleasant passage home, and all happiness in the ing this view of the case we do not wish it for a old country. He then read the address, which moment to be understood that we consider all the was on vellum, handsomely framed, and the Chinese ashere on the occasion of the disturbance inscription on which set out more fully the the Kurile Islands, when dense fogs were en- to have been equally guilty, nor all the Japanese sentiments above referred to. The address was equally innocent. In fact we believe that several signed by the members of the People's Concert

> responsible. As usual under such circum- Lang Syne" and "God Save the Queen." Capsible, to convict the ringleaders. All that the and O, steamer Mirzapore on the 26th August, respective Governments can do will be to settle much to the credit of either. The matter has have ordered Mr. Kiyowura of the Home Department, Mr. Hatovama, of the Foreign Department, and Mr. Kawadau, of the Judicial Department, to proceed to Nagasaki to thoroughly investigate the affair. The result of their in-

as regards loss of life and properly. From the ceeded southward along the Kunashiri coast, Yuan, were at Nagasaki on the 23rd August; been convicted of poisoning her mother-in-law. lower bridge right into the city, there is not a when they fell in with a Japanese schooner. The the remainder had left for Chemulpo, Korea, her husband, and her husband's brother at Wai building of any sort that has not suffered more | Captain received them kindly and took them | No Japanese man-of-war was at Nagasaki on Chau-fu, was sentenced to this barbarous nunishor less. Berious losses have been sustained by down the coast until they met the Gembu-maru, the same date. Everything was quiet on shore, ment, and underwent it here on the above day. Chinese merchants. In one case the damage is loading sulphur and by her they were taken to Mesers. Kiyowara, Hatoyama, and Kawadza, of What a tragedy, and what a penalty! A large estimated at \$50,000, chiefly cotton and dry goods. Nemuro and afterwards to Hakodate, and from the Foreign, Home, and Judicial Departments, crowd assembled to witness the disgusting sight, In another, the entire stock of rice and beans has thence they came here. Captain Nielson at had arrived at Nagasaki from Tokyo in the it being rarely that such a feast of horror is pro-Lieut. de Robeck, R.N. been speilt. The total losses of merchandize, tributes the loss of his ship to the dense for mak- Yokohama Maru, to act as special Commissioners curable. we are informed, will exceed one million dollars. ing it impossible to verify his assumed position. in the matter of the late fracas. Three Chinese A proclamation has been issued by the Nam

HONGKONG.

The past-week has not been eventful. On the

27th ult. the session of the Legislative Council

was opened, and the French Mail Steamers Continuation Ordinance and the German Mail Steamers' Ordinance, were passed, and a long discussion ensued upon a resolution submitted by the Hon. A. P. MacEwen that in future al The Rising Sun of the 21st August, gives the matters of public interest, particularly the voting following explicit account of the recent fatal riot of public funds, be discussed openly in Council From native sources we gather that the flood at that port :- On Sunday night last the usually and not, as heretofore, at private meetings of the afterwards, however, the sailors, six in number; report of the Victoria Guol Commission has been came down to the police hox,—whether by acci- published. It deprecates the erection of a new dent or premeditation we are unable to say. Gapl, and suggests that the application of the but are rather inclined to favour the latter punishment of whipping in cases of petty offences opinion. They seemed to be very excited, and returning from banishment instead of senand shouted and gesticulated in front of tenoing them to terms of imprisonment would the police box. Kurokawa spoke to them do much to relieve the pressure on the acand was in the act of stepping out of his commodution of the Gaol. One member (Hou. box to endeavour to persuade them to retire A. P. MacEwen) when dissenting from the quietly, when one of them drew a sword and conclusions of the other Commissioners, suggested struck him over the head with it, inflicting a that prisoners should be punished by deprivation serious wound. The policeman immediately of their queues instead of being whipped. A closed with his opponent, and after receiving 83- Marine Court was held at the Harbour Office on veral cuts on his hand, he succeeded in disarming the 30th ntt. to inquire; into the circumstances him. The Chinese then took to their heels, but attending the loss, on the 15th August, on a reef were overtaken in Funadaiku-machi, where Kuro- off the Taichow Islands, of the British steamer -kawa-after-assverestrugglowith-the-whole party. - [Fifty:--The-Court-in-their-finding-expressedsucceeded in arresting his assailant and taking | the opinion that the captain was navigating his him to the Hamano-machi police station. In con- | vessel in a workmanlike and careful manner when sequence of this unprovoked attack on the police. I the disaster occurred, and that the masters of the it was then reported, upon reliable authority, that | steamers Chintung and Taku were deserving of all the Governor requested the Chinese Consul to praise for the invaluable assistance they rendered advise the Commanders of mon-of-war not to send | to the crew of the Medras: The case in which their crews ashore. To what extent this well- Joseph da Cruz, the alleged accomplice of the formeant advice was headed may be gathered from | ger Beltran is charged with receiving a portion the fact that, on Sunday afternoon, some four of the money, was again before the Police Magishundred men were allowed to come ashore, with- | trate on the 31st ult., and was again remanded. out a single picket to keep them in order! Be- The case of the 53 tokangs (Chinese constables) youd the usual indescribable din, and petty | charged with corruption, which had been comquarrels over disputed accounts for liquor, ext. mitted to the Supreme Court and sent back ables, and sundries, inseparable from a mob of for decision by the Police Magistrate, was low-class Chinese, nothing occurred to lead any | decided on the 31st ult., when the men were fined one to suppose another attack was meditated, 330 each, or one month's imprisonment. The

On the 20th August an extraordinary general

hind which they fought until they were all more by several vessels. Besides these whose reports or less wounded (from the effects of which one have already been published two more which arof them died the following morning), and were rived here on the 31st August report having compelled to retreat to the bridge connecting experienced had weather. The German steamer Shik'kui-machi with Kajiya-machi. Here, with Atalant: from Hamburg. Penang, and Singathe assistance of a number of residents, -- who by | pore, reports that on the 29th August she en-

situation.—they succeeded in checking the mob, Westward of the Paracels. It began to blow who thereupon turned back, fighting as they at two o'clock in the morning from W.N.W. acwent. Swords, spears, knives, sticks, tiles from | companied with heavy rain to four o'clock, the the roofs, stones, etc., were now freely made use | wind veering to W. blowing a fresh gale. At of on both sides, and pretty lively fighting con- | 8 a.m. the wind was S.W., and it blow a strong tinned until the Chinese succumbed, in front of the gale with high confused sea and heavy rain for Megasaki police station. As the excitement sub- four hours. In the afternoon the wind shifted sided, steps were taken to remove the dead and ito S. and slucked down. The lowest reading wounded to the Government Hospital, were the of the barometer was 29.54. The German accommodation not proving sufficient, the balance | steamer Deuteros, from Saigon 26th August, of Chinese were taken to the Seamens' Institute. reports that from leaving port to the 28th Measures were also taken to prevent Chinese August had fine weather. On the 29th, in lat. sailors from returning to their ships, and as they 17 N. and long. 111 E., experienced a typhoon, were captured they were sent to the Chinese the centre of which passed southward of the On Wednesday evening, the 25th August, there

indignation was manifested when full particulars | was a social gathering at the Temperance Hall of were known throughout the town, and as those who have been concerned in the People's there has always been a smouldering enmity be- Concerts which have, during the past two seasons, fully investigated by the proper authorities, after | rendered, on the eye of their departure for Engtheir own country would in most cases | had to leave early on account of indisposition. Chinamen were killed and wounded who took | Committee. Mrs. Kennedy Edwards briefly no active, part in the fray,—for which their acknowledged the testimonial on her daughters countrymen who murdered the policeman behalf, and after some further harmony a very and ran riot through the town were entirely pleasant evening came to a close with "Auld

> CH+NA. CANTON.

| FROM A CORRESPONDENT. ] 30th August. The departure for his native place of His Excellency the Governor of Kwangtung, who has

been graciously allowed to resign his office on the plea of continued all health, has been postponed until Wednesday, the 1st proxime. On Friday last, the 27th instant, one of those most harrible spectacles, happily not quite of every day occurrence here, took place on the Execution Ground. I allude to the infliction

E. George, J. F. da Roza, and D. Gillies (Score- seconds below, and came up with one oup out of The Scotch, favoured by a slight advantage in The scenes in the city were most heartrending. also to the strong current and heavy easterly swell. | Officials had arrived also from the Tokyo Lega. | Hoi Magistrate ordering all the brothels at Fat the twelve thrown in. Shepherd was down 281 the tide, and greater weight in their team, won On the night when the water reached its highest. At the time the socident occurred the wind was tion. We hear that the reason the Chinese fleet Shan to be closed and the inmates to remove to The CHAIRMAN said Gentlemen, with your bees, and brought up six cups. Scanlau got two the tag after a very hard struggle in about 8.E. and the ship heading from N.E. to left Nagasaki so suddenly is that complications other places. The reason for this sweeping re-

### TAKOW. FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

19th August. As reports from the North and South of China reach here of the terrible heat which has been experienced this year, it may be interesting for

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Residents enjoy a blanket at night, and mosquitoes are quite scarce. I should advise those who can't stand the heat on the mainland to come over here and charter one of the many empty hongs, Takowites having mostly migrated to Anping, thirty miles higher no the coast, because it is nearer Thiwanfoo. But Anning is a wretched place, and has no harbour whatever. In very rough weather if you can land at all you have to do so in catamarans on which is lashed n tub, in which the passenger sits upon his dignity. The Carisbrooke was weatherbound a the Pescadores on her last trip over. We haven't had the usual typhoon here yet, though.

### $\triangle INGPO$ .

outside this morning. The Johann Carl, from | fourth time: Takow, arrived here on Saturday afternoon. arrive outside. The Anna Bertha is expected | News Correspondent. from Shanghai. A Hongkong steamer is also expected. You will see from this, that we are having quite a rush of business. A serious affray occurred in the vicinity of Tai-chow, between two parties of processionists. It is customary for those parties to carry such arms as they can muster for the estensible purpose of preventing the escape of the dragon, but more likely to prevent rival parties from attempting to carry it off. This might have been the cause in this case, or the rival parties might have met, and one party had refused to give way to the other. However the results of the fraces were a few killed and a number

### SHANGHAI.

wounded.—Mercury Correspondent.

regret that we have to record the death, from general debility, at the ripe age of 62 years, of the Rev. Father Hippolytus Basuinu, S.J. which-occurred shortly after 9 p.m. on the 21st Joseph's Church, French Concession. 'A German daily paper is projected in Shanghai. It is stated that it will probably be named "Der Ostasiatische Lloyd" (Eist-Asiatic-\_\_\_Lloyd), a rather suitable name, if we take into belonging to the North-German Lloyd. L'Echo de Shanghai learns that five Chinese | changes in the temperature. men of war were despatched to Japan on the 24th August from Tientsin, and two craisers now

nity from the Japanese Government. The Courier says: —Another palpable indication that China is progressing is the steps that are now being taken to extend the Customs Postal Service to the Treaty ports, as one of the first steps towards the establishment of a National Post Office for China. Rumours have been current for a long time in reference to the new enterprise, and it is now generally well known that the Ministers in Peking have been addressed officially on the subject, and it has whilst passing through Saigon, received the deleaked out that about a week ago the lately ap- coration of an officer of the Royal Order of pointed Postal Commissioner of the Imperial | Cambodia. Council suggesting the discontinuance of the tention of the Saigon Chamber of Commerce.

sideration of the Council. and some of the applicants have proved worth- proved of all the French members of the Comless, after they were engaged.

The Shanghai Mercury says :- The sad accident which occurred about a month ago, owing to the capsizing in the Soochow Creek of a boat which was conveying some native female operatives to Messrs. Russell & Co.'s Silk Filature is, no doubt, still fresh in the minds of our been fixed at 780 fr. per picul for Indian opium readers. The gallantry displayed on that oc- and at 550 fr. for Chinese opium casion by Mr. Riva the Superintendent of the Filature, will be equally well-remembered. At | phong by Messrs. U. Pila & Co., under contract tracted to the spot by the cries of the drowning | with the Government of the Protectorate. The women, Mr. Riva plunged into the stream, and, cost is estimated at two million francs. with the assistance of some Chinese, happily suc- | The Tonquin Customs Service is being orceeded in rescuing 15 out of the 18 women from | ganised on the model of the Chinese Imperial a watery grave. We are now informed that the Maritime Customs. M. Rocher is at the head Taotai of Shanghai, the fact having been brought of the service, and bears the title of Director. to his notice, has sent Mr. Riva a letter express- M. Rocher has also been appointed a member of ing his appreciation of the gallantry displayed the Provisional Council of the Protectorate. by him on the occasion, and announcing his in- The following telegram has been addressed by tention of conferring upon him the Silver Medal | the Resident-General of Tonquin to the Foreign for Merit, Kung Pvi, to mark his sense of such Minister: "At the request of various contracnoble and courageous conduct.

18th August. the sea side to Haiphong or Quangyen, and on Lately the weather has been terribly hot and the other side to Langson by Phulang-thuong." unbearable, on the 15th and 16th inst. the ther- The contract for the Tonquin river mail sermometer registered 103° in the shade. To-day vice has been let, Mr. J. d'Abbadie having acwe have a delightful change in a northerly cepted a subsidy of 349,000fr, per annum for nine breeze which cools the atmosphere considerably years. The service will consist of six lines of and the thermometer has dropped to 90°. Ns. which two will commence running at once three tive boats arriving from up river are all small times a week, namely, from Haiphong to Hanoi, craft, bringing valuable cargoes of silk, etc. and from Haiphong to Phulang-thuong by Hai-Large junks are unable to move consequent on duong; and four-from the Seven Pagodas to the strong current. The river has been rising | Bac-ninh, from Hung; yen to Nam-dinh, from steadily for several days, but has now started to Haiphong to Quangyen, and from Hanoi to Bac-go down, falling 46 inches in the past 24 hours. hat—which are to be established within six The steamer Kingtung arrived here on the months, at first with a weekly service, and after-17th, and leaves again to-night. She takes about | wards a bi-weekly service." 300 bales of silk and several hundred packages of other cargo.

The famous mule which carried so many Bibles and tracts about Szechnen and is well known amongst the natives for kicking, stands over in the streets of Chung-king, is at present at Ichang in care of the Rev. Mr. Dowsley, who is AALIFORNIAN FLOUR well known for his kind hospitality. I under 1 stand this sacred animal is to make a journey to the sea coast and that Mr. McMillan is to conduct it safe to its destination. The owner of this noble animal left with family per native bont for Hankow on the 13th inst. Mr. and Mrs. Nichol and children arrived here to-day per native boat from Chang-king, and are to continue on to Hankow.-Courier Correspondent.

The Shen-rao of the 24th August gives the following extracts from the letter of a correspondent at Ichang who, it is said, is well acquainted with the circumstances of the misunderstandings. between the people and the Christian converts at | 23101 Changking :- "After the outbreak, the town was garrisoned by the local train-bands to prevent further disorders, but this militia was not sufficiently strong in numbers to guard every point, so there were further encounters, resulting in several deaths and much destruction of property. The foreign merchants now agree to retire from the narrow street where they had stablished themselves and by which the Chung.

king people set so much store; and they undertake to build no more foreign houses. The officials also have issued a proclamation forbidding the people to be believers in and followers that (i.e. the Christian) doctrine. Those who have recently become converts are called upon to wash their hands of it, to go no more to churches and to give up conforming to these practices. It is probable therefore that in future Missionaries will find little occupation here, and the Szech uen authorities will be spared the deciding. of many troublesome cases."

### TIENTSIN.

The freshets are still strong, and the river has overflowed its banks both above and below Policies issued for long or short periods at your readers to compare notes with us; so I give this place. Steamers are still anchoring below current rates. you our readings from 15th July to date. They the Everlasting Bend. They are prevented from intrast very favourably with Hankow readings coming up on account of the strong freshets hav- Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, ing been the cause of forming mud-banks. The at reduced rates. Taku Tug and Lighter Company know the changes in the river as they are running their boats backwards and forwards every day; they are able to tow lighters up drawing ten feet.

17th August. The Decanville Portable Railway plant, which | FYTHE Undersigned, Agents of the above Comhas been brought up to this place, will be laid from the Foreign settlement to Hai Knang Si. or the Eastern Arsenal by permission of H. E. Li Hung chang, for trial, and His Excellency will come down to inspect it personally as soon is it is finished.

21st August. Our neighbours the French people and those who have bought land, or are building or renting houses, on the French settlement here, are in a fine plight. The high state of the water in the river Peiho has simply overflowed their bund, and their whole settlement is under water. The fine new building being erected for the Franch BAN Hur, Esq. syndicate and which is afterwards to be occupied by the Comptoir d'Escompte de Pavis, has three four feet of water all round it, and three new houses facing the river on the French bundare also surrounded by water. They have been built by a Russian here, instigated by the French Priests. houses thereon. There is not a single road or piece of ground (with the exception of the French Consulate) that has not three to four feet of water on it, and on the lots not filled eight to ton foot of water; should the river make a breach in their band, which is quite possible, every This seems to be a flourishing year for Ningpo. as we are leaving quite a number of vessels arriv. house on it will have to come down. The fact is ing or expected to arrive. The Mary Stuart the French Concession is in the wrong place, and dropped down the river on Siturday and got is always liable to be flooded; this is the third or

We have had very heavy rains of late and The Anglo-Indian, with Helena's Penang cargo business is at a standstill; all the canals are so against FIRE to the extent of \$30,000 on any from Amoy, is in the river. The steamer Cito | full of water that the boats cannot get through from Nagasaki with coals, has arrived or will soon | the bridges and there is no cargo arriving.—Daily

# NEWCHWANG.

17th August A very interesting ceremony took place at the pretty Roman Catholic Cathedral here on Sunday last, 15th inst.: when Monseigneur Tagliabue, Bishop of Peking, officiated at the consecration of the new Bishop Provider Boyer. The service lasted from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and was a very solemn and impressive one. The two Fathers: Tagliabue and Boyer came to China together round the Cape in 1854-5, and on their way to the North from Shanghai in a junk, they were attacked by pirates, a priest who was with them was thrown overboard, and the others were tied to the mast. The two fellow Missionaries escaped from this and many other troubles, and by The Shanghai Mercury says: -It is with deep | a curious coincidence Monseigneur Tagliabue, having been made Bishop some fifteen years ago, came expressly from Peking to instal his former travelling companion. The new Bishop Boyer has been here nearly all the time, without visit-August at the ission Buildings adjoining St. | ing Europe, and is a very worthy representative of the Roman Catholic Missionary Bddy -devoted to his calling, full of courage and zeal, and able to put up with such privations as we

Rain, rain, it raineth every day, and the counconsideration the fact that the appearance of the [try is thoroughly saturated. We are having a paper is coupled in a sort of way with the very wet season and some fears are entertained first arrival in the Far East of a mail steamer for the safety of the crops. There is much sickness about the port, owing to the extraordinary

19th August. There has been little chance of moving about | On First-class European in Korean waters have received orders to join for several days. The rain is becoming too mothem; this will bring the number of Chinese notonous altogether, and a little dry weather as On First-class Godowns, men-of-war cruising about Nagasaki up to a change is much to be desired. From the infifteen. News obtained since, the Echo says, con- terior the reports are rather unfavourable to the therein at 4 % Net per Annum. slow. There is a break in the clouds, and we On Petroleum in litrust it will be in favour of dry weather — Daily News Correspondent.

# COCHIN-CHINA.

SAIGON. M. Constans, the French Minister to Peking,

Customs sent a letter to the Shanghai Municipal | The question of exchange is engaging the at-Local Post. This letter is now under the con- In the course of a discussion on the subject at a meeting held on the 12th August several sug-The Shanghai Hu-pao states that Prince Chan I gestions were put forward. One was that achas received many applications from abroad in | counts should be kept in france and payments be which foreigners desire employment in the Chi- made in dollars at the rate of the day. Another nese Navy. The Prince had all the applications speaker pointed out the hardship it would be carefully translated for his perusal, and also made to native taxpayers to have to pay in france, strict inquiries concurning the applicants. The, which would in effect be increasing the taxa-Hu-ngo is of opinion, that although China has tion by thirty-three per cent; he therefore happily selected foreign servants, such as General proposed that the present system confinue Gordon, Sir Robert Hart, Dr. Martin, and others, and that the deficit in the budget be met by inwho have been very useful to the Government, oreusing the export duty on rice. On behalf of the future applicants for the Chinese Govern- the Government a proposal was made to introment service should be secured by the Govern- duce the gold five franc piece and its multiples ment of the country to which they belong, for I in bank notes, all payments to or by the Governat present, it is a well known fact that the Chi- ment being made in francs. Ultimately it was nese Government require many foreign servants | decided to refer the question to a committee com-

# TONQUIN.

The import duty on opium in Tonquin has rates. Godowns and wharves are to be built at Hai-

tors, will announce through the Journal Official that with reference to the Tonquin railway offers may be made in reference to a prolongation on

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SUMMER TIME TABLE. THE KOWLOON FERRY. STEAM-LAUNCH

Runs Daily as a Ferry Bost between PEDDAR's WHARF and TRIE-TRA-TRUI at the following hours .- This Time Table will take effect from the 15th April, 1885. WEEK DAYS, Leaves Loaves Hongkong Kowleen, ... 7,00 a.m. 6,00 a.m. Kowloon 7.00 1.M. 6.00 L.K. -8.00 A.M.

"AATE", DINING

7.80 0.90 11.00 19.80 r.m. 1.80 2.50 \*10.15 12.80 .m. 1.00 2.00 1,00 T.M 12.45 P.M. 5.40 6.15 7.00 5.55 Friday, on account of coaling. ... The shove Time Table will be strictly adhered

to except under unavoidable circumstances. In

one of stress of weather due notice will be

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, & TRIESTE. Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA. MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, BLACK SEL LEVANT & ADRIATIC POETS). THE Company's Steamship

" BERENICE." Captain C. Bechtinger, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 2nd of September, at For Further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya Control. O. BACHRACH,

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1886:

"FOKIEN," 114 Captain Wyllie, will be despatched for the abou Ports TO-DAY, the 2nd September, at Tunes For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 31st August, 1886. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA. FINE Steamship

"ABBATOON APCAR," Captain A. B. Mactavish, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 2nd September, at THREE P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, 28th August, 1886. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAL (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for Chepoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Han-Kow, and Ports on the YANGISZE). FIHE Company's Steamship

"CANTON." Captain Bremner, will be despatched as abo TO.DAY, the 2nd September, at FOUR P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managera. Hongkong, 33th August, 1886.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG

"CARDIGANSHIRE." for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the Srd

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 30th August, 1886. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAL VIA AMOY.

" PROMETHEUS," Captain Webster, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW: the 3rd September. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 31st August, 1886:

eastern and australian steam-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AND ADELAIDE. (Calling at PORT DAEWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.) THE Steamship

"GUTHRIE." above Ports on SATURDAY, the 4th September, at FOUR P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.,

Hongkong, 21st August, 1886. "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Steamship "FLINTSHIRE," Dancaster, Commander, will be despatched for PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will the above ports on SATURDAY, the 4th Sept. leave this Port as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Hongkong, 23th August, 1886. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steamship "CYCLOPS." Captain Nish, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 4th September.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 31st August, 1886. UNION LINE

FOR YOKOHAMA (DIRECT). THE Steamship

Captain Grandin, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 8th inst. at FOUR P.M. For Freight or Passage apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1886. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY FOR SHANGHAL

(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for Ningpo, Chieroo, Newchwang, Tientsin, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGISE). "ACHILLES." NORTON & Co., Agents. | Captain Anderson, will be despatched as above

> For Freight or Passage apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 1st September, 1886. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR TIENTSIN. Taking Cargo for CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG

THE Company's Steamship "TIENTSIN." Captain Quail, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th September. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 31st August 1886.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGA SAKI AND KOBE. (Passing through the INLAND SEL). Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to VLADIVOSTOCK AND CHEMULEO. FILE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "THIBET."

will leave for the above place on SATURDAY the 11th September, at 2.30 P.M. E. L. WOODIN. Acting Superintendent Hongkong, 28th August, 1886. STEAM TO SHANGHAL THE P. & O. S.N. Co.'s Steamship

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after her arrivel with the outward English S. R. Ulmer, Master, will load here for the e. l. woodin, Acting Superintendent

VESSELS ON THE BERT

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE BATAVIA. CO-LOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ. PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS. MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZID AND LA PLATA;

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, DUNKIRK, AND ANTWERP. NTHURSDAY, the 2nd day of September,

1886, at Noon, the Company's Steamship 'IRAOUADDY," Commandant Brotel, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and Cargo and Specie will be registered for Lon-

places of Europe.

required. For further particulars, apply at the Com-~any's Office.  $\cdot$ G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Hongkong, 21st August, 1886.

U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIPCOMPANY. THROUGH TO NEW YORK, TIA OVER-LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT

YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO. FIGHE-U. S. Wail-Steamer- "CITY-OE Francisco, via Yokohoma, on THURSDAY, the 2nd September, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports. to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to FIHE Company's Steamship

Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers Through Passage Tickets granted to England, DAY, the 15th September. France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines

of Steamers: RETURN PASSAGES,—Passengers, who have for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six | Stewardess. months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, and Passage, apply to an allowance of 10 % will be made from Return Fare. Pre-paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the day previous to sailing. Percel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates should be sent to the Company's Offices The Undersigned, having been appointed for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Callector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and

Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central. C. D. HARMAN, Agent. Hockong, 11th August, 1886.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN. SUEZ. PORT SAID. TRIESTE BRINDISI, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG

AND BALTIC PORTS; LONDON. NEW YORK, BOSTON, BAL-TIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, Captain Shannon, will be despatched for the GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

> THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

V.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL N FRIDAY, the 3rd day of September, 1886, at Noon, the Company's Steamship and will have quick despatch. "ODER." Captain F. Pfeiffer, with MAILS.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on Board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 2nd September, 1886. (Parcels are not to be sent on Board: they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are The Company is prepared to grant Policies of Insurance on Treasure and Cargo shipped by

their own steamers. For Further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Hongkong, 3rd August, 1886.

STEAN FOR SINGAPORE. PENANG, COLOMBO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MARSEIL. LES, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI TRIESTE, VENICE PLYMOUTH,

AND LONDON; BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSUILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-BURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON. THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship

BOKHARA." Captain C. R. Edwards, with

Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from

this for LONDON direct via SUEZ CANAL and usual Ports of call, on FRIDAY, the 10th September. at FOUR P.M. Cargo will the received on board until TEN A.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until Ten A.M., on the day of sailing. For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and Passage apply to the Peninsular & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office: Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are remired to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading. N.B.—This Steamer takes Passengers and Cargo for Marseilles : E. L. WOODIN. Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1886. FOR HAVRE AND LONDON. HE 3/3 L II British Ship "DON ENRIQUE,"

Cromor, Master, will load for the above Ports. and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 7th August, 1886. FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 A II British Ship

"REVOLVING LIGHT," Durkee, Mester, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 7th August, 1886. BEET COOK FOR NEW YORK. VEVHE 8/3 A I.I. American Shir will leave for the above place about 24 hours | Mary HENJAMIN SEWALL."

> above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTALS TEAM-SHIP COMPANY. TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMELICA, AND EUROPE:

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship "BELGIC," will despatched for San Francisco, via Yoko- Singapore on the 26th August, and is due here bams, on TUESDAY, the 14th September, at on or about the 2nd September. THREE P.M. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Porta All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the CARGO, will leave this Port for the above Company's Office until Five P.M. the day previous to sailing.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, Who have don as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco transit through Marseilles for the principal for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 %, from Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Return Fere; if re-embarking within one year, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., an allowance of 10 7 will be made from Return Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 1st Fare. Pro-Paid Return Passage Orders, avail-September, 1886: (Parcels are not to be sent able for one year, will be issued at a Discount due here on the 6th instant. on board; they must be left at the Agency's of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances Office.) Contents and value of Packages are do not apply to through fares from China and

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to Darwin on the 31st ultime, and is due here on the the Collector of Customs, San Francisco. For further information as to Freight Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central. C. D. HARMAN, Agent. Hongkong, 25th August, 1886.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIAN FLORIO AND RUBATTINO UNITED COMPANIES.

STEAM FOR NEW YORK," will be desmatched for San SINGAPORE, PENANG. COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SAID, NAPLES, LEGHORN, GENOA, AND MARSEILLES.

Taking Cargo at through rates to all MEDITER- | more trouble in the end. RANEAN and LEVANTINE PORTS, ODESSA, and ALEXANDRIA, and also to NEW YORK and BUENOS AYRES (MONTEVIDEO).

 $^{f \cdot}$  BORMIDA. will be despatched as above on WEDNES To be followed by the Steamer "R. RUBA" TINO." on or about the 28th September. The Steamers have splendid Accommodation paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for Passengers and carry a Doctor and For Further Particulars regarding Freight

> CARLOWITZ & Co., Hongkong, 30th August, 1886. FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE British Ship "GALATEA," Wm. Colville, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1886. FOR CALLAO. THE 3/3 L II German Bark " FRIEDERICH."

Spiesen, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to GONSALVES & Co. Hongkong, 16th August, 1886. FOR HONOLULU.

THE 3/3 L HAmerican Bark "J. H. BOWERS." Plum. Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to GONSALVES & Co.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1886. FOR NEW YORK WIHE 3/3 L I.I. American Bark "J. D. PETERS."

PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, 23rd July, 1886. FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 A II American Ship "INDIA.

E. Lane, Master, will load here for the abo

Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

Rich, Master, will load here for the above Port For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 9th August, 1836. FOR NEW YORK. THE American Ship

Burnham, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, 29th July, 1886. FOR NEW YORK. THE A. I American Ship

"ANNIE H. SMITH." Captain Brown, will load here for the abou Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to Hongkong, 17th July, 1886.

FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 L II American Ship "GEORGE CURTIS." Captain Sproul, will toad here for the abo Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply & SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1886.

Hougkong, 28th August, 1886.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1886.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1886.

FOR NEW YORK. HE 3/3 L I.I. American Ship "ALEXANDER MCNEIL," G. W. David, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

FOR HAMBURG. THE 3/3 L II British Barque "COSMO." Bennett, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE 3/3 L II. American Ship "ST. STEPHEN." Donglas, Master, will lead here for the above Port, and will have snick despetch. For Freight, apply to

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MAILS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL. The Indo-China steamer Taisang, with Indian mails, left Singapore on the 30th August, and may be looked for here on or about the 5th September.

THE FRENCH MAIL. The Messageries Maritimes at what Yangtee, with the next outward French mail, left Singapore on the 30th August, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 7th September.

STEAMERS EXPECTED: The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Pronotheus left

The Shire Line steamer Flintshire loft Singapore on the 27th August, and is due here on or about the 2nd September. The P. & O. steamer Zambesi left. Singapore at 10 a.m. on the 29th August, and is due here

on or about the 3rd instant. The Union Line steamer Southwold left Singapore on the 29th August, and may be expected to arrive here on the 4th September.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Achilles left Singapore on the morning of the 31st ultime, and is The P. M. steamer City of Peking left Yokohama on the 1st, and is due here on or about

the 7th September. The E. & A. steamer Menmuir left Port 10th instant.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES. When Correspondence has been missent or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionally) all that the addresses need do is to note on the cover. Sent to ----, or Received at 7 p.m., or as the case may be, and forward it, without any other writing whitever to the Postmaster-General. This should be acted on the first time cause of complaint occurs; it is a mistake to let such matters pass for four of giving trouble, a course which generally gives

LOCAL DELIVERY .-- No delivery is attempted on board Ship, at the Peak, Kowloon, Aberdeen &c., nor at any private house (even though named in the address) when there is a phase of

business pearer, at which delivery can be affected. The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one miblished twice each day in our Extra, which is always corrected to a much later hour than that given

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Swatow, Singapore, and Bangkok.-Per P. C. Chom Klao, to-day, the 2nd inst., at 10.30 For Straits, Colombo, and Bombay.-Per Berenice, to-day, the 2nd inst., at 10.30 A.M. For Foochow, Sydney, and Melbourne.— Per Soochow, to-day, the 2nd inst., at 1.30 P.M. For Amoy and Tamsni.—Per Fokien, today, the 2nd instant, at 2.00 P.M. For Straits and Calcutta.—Per A. Ancar, to-day, the 2nd inst., at 3.00 P.M. For Shanghai - Per Canton, to-day, the 2nd

For Amoy and Tamsui — Per Elsa, to-day, the 2nd inst., at 3.30 P.M. For Saigon.—Per Crusader, to day, the 2nd inst., at 3.30 p.m. For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, &c.-Por Guthrie, on Saturday, the 4th instant, at 3.30 g.m. For Amoy and Manila. - Per Diamante, on Saturday, the 4th inst., at 4.30 P.M.

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of 10 cents until

For Yokohama.—Per Harter, on Wednesday, 1590 the 8th inst. at 3.30 P.M. For Nagasaki Kobe, and Yokohama,—Per Thibet, on Saturday, the 11th inst., at 2.00 P.M. HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT MAILS

> Day before Departure. 5 r.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open out of office hours. Day of Departure, 7 A.M., Pest Office opens. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. 11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters

> 11.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee

THE FRENCH MAIL.

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office clases entirely 11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until time of departure. The following hours are observed in closing

Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet:—

Day of Departure. NOON.—Money Order Office closes. 2.00 P.M.—Registry of Letters coases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. 3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Unite Letters. 3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with late for / of 10 cents until 3.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely. 3.40 P.M.—Late Lotters may be posted on beard

the packet with late fee of 10 cents, until time of departure. MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET. The German Contract Packet Oder will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 3rd September, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, via Brindisi, to the Straits Settlements, Batavia Burmah, Ceylon, India, Adon, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar,

The hours observed in closing the Mails, &c. will be the same as in the case of the French. Correspondence should be marked Per German Mail, or with the name of the Packet. The Post Office declines all responsibility for -Unregistered Letters containing Bank Notes. Coin, or Jewelleny, and, where Registration has been neglected, will make no enquiries into alleged losses of such letters.

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